MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTIETH CONVENTION

OF THE

English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest

HELD IN

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church

CANNON FALLS, MINNESOTA

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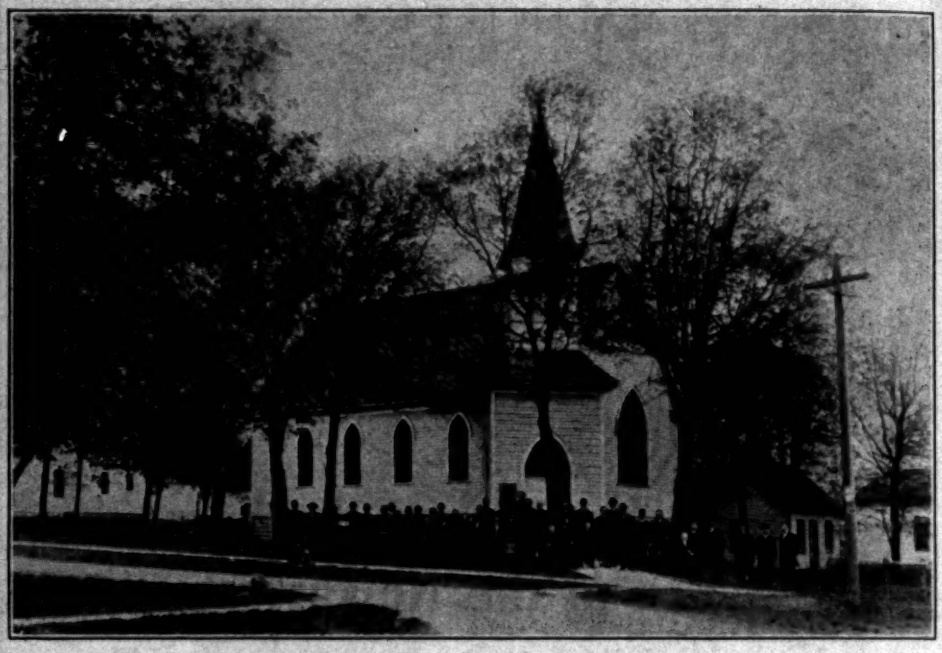

First English Lutheran Church of Cannon Falls

THE First English Lutheran Church of Cannon Falls was organized by Rev. M. E. Boulton in May 1900, with nine charter members. Services had been held previously by Rev. J. A. Leas of Red Wing from Jan., 1899, until relieved by Rev. Boulton who came in May and served until May 1903. Rev. R. A. Helms served as pastor from June, 1903, until May, 1906. The present pastorate dates from December 1st, 1906. The church edifice was erected in 1905. The Sunday School basement was completed and the last indebtedness on the church paid just a short time before the meeting of Synod this year. The congregation is served in connection with one at Goodhue and another at Zumbrota.

MINUTES

OPENING SERVICE.

The twentieth annual meeting of the "English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest" was held in the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Cannon Falls, Minnesota, beginning Wednesday, June 1st, 1910, at 7:45 p. m. The convention was opened with the Order of Service for Confession and Absolution, followed by the Chief Service and Holy Communion. The Synodical sermon was preached by the president, the Rev. A. J. Reichert from Deut 6:6-7, who took for his theme "The Christian Home."

FIRST SESSION.

Thursday, June 2nd, 1910, 9:00 A. M.

The session was opened with the use of Matins, conducted by the secretary of Synod. The president formally opened the convention for the transaction of business according to the "Order for the Opening of Synods."

The roll of ministers was called. The credential committee at this and later sessions reported credentials from twenty-eight lay-delegates. Two ministers were received and one ordained at later services, making the roll of Synod as follows:

ROLL OF SYNOD.

	MINISTERS	Ordained	Entered Synod	LAY DELEGATES	PARISHES
1	G. H. Trabert, D. D..	1870	1898	***James Nelson	Salem, Minneapolis, Minn.
2	W. K. Frick, D. D...	1873	1891	*Hugh Sharp	Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.
3	***J. Sander, L. H. D.	1880	1910	†††C. A. Victor	Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn.
4	James F. Beates.....	188.	1909	**Charles J. Sersen	Trinity, St. Paul, Minn.
5	George H. Schnur....	1886	1907	August Jacke	St. James, St. Paul, Minn.
6	H. K. Gebhart.....	1889	1895	*Theo. G. Martin	Grace, Kenosha, Wis.
7	W. F. Bacher.....	1889	1908	†††H. W. Knauff	Memorial, St. Paul, Minn.
8	C. B. Lindtwed.....	1889	1908	.....	St. John's Oshkosh, Wis.
9	†A. J. Reichert.....	1890	1901	Frank Erickson	St. Paul's Red Wing, Minn.
10	F. W. Klingensmith..	1894	1909	**C. O. Krohne	Redeemer, Livingston, Mont.
11	‡‡R. A. Helms.....	1896	1903	C. F. Nelson...	St. Mark's, N. St. Paul, Minn.
12	A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.	1896	1905	C. B. Johnson.	St. John's Minneapolis, Minn.
13	***F. E. Jensen.....	1897	1897	.....	General Secretary, Chicago Seminary
14	J. A. Zundel.....	1898	1903	.....	Field Missionary, Minneapolis, Minn.
15	Wm. S. Ulrich.....	1899	1908	†Ben J. Holmes	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.
16	††A. C. Peterson.....	1900	1900	... .	Without charge.
17	John Keehley.....	1900	1904	†††J. E. Nelson	Salem, Albert Lea, Minn.
18	*T. F. Weiskotten....	1900	1909	... .	Advent, Cedarburg
19	†††P. E. Baisler.....	1901	1901	*Wm. S. Linnell	First Eng. Luth. Winnipeg, Man.
20	*Wm. Eckert.....	1901	1905	*Godfrey Haub	Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.
21	L. F. Gruber.....	1901	1908	†††Harry Isaacson ...	St. Mark's, Minneapolis, Minn.
22	Willis Beck.....	1902	1905	†††J. H. Langsdorf	Goodhue Parish, Zumbrota, Minn.
23	W. F. Rex.....	1902	1910	.. ..	Atonement, Racine, Wis.
24	W. P. Christy.....	1904	1904	Adolf Anderson	St. Peter's, Janesville, Wis.
25	L. W. Steckel.....	1904	1909	*F. W. Markenson ..	First Eng. Luth., Platteville, Wis.
26	***W. H. Gable.....	1905	1905	‡‡‡Otto Rydell	Holy Trinity, Superior, Wis.
27	*G. K. Rubrecht.....	1905	1905	*Theo. Bakke	Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis.
28	Paul H. Roth.....	1906	1906	***R. A. Schultz	Atonement, Beloit, Wis.
29	H. R. Gold.....	1907	1907	***Fred Tester.	Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.

ROLL OF SYNOD, Continued.

	MINISTERS	Ordained	Entered Synod	LAY DELEGATES	PARISHES
30	L. B. Deck.....	1908	1908	*Christian Dane	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn
31	*Paul L. Kunzmann..	1908	1908	†††J. F. Pergande ...	Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis.
32	J. E. Schewell.....	1910	1910	***A. A. Miller	St. John's, Duluth, Minn.
33	.....			B. F. Keeler	Holy Trinity, La Crosse, Wis.
34	.....			T. H. Bechtol	St. Paul's, Waterloo, Wis.
35	.....			.....	First Eng. Luth. Middleton, Wis.
36	.....			.....	Holy Trinity, Afton, Wis.
37	.....			.....	Holy Communion, Minneapolis, Minn.
38	.....			†††Albin Johnson	Redeemer, Minneapolis, Minn.

EXCUSED—

* All Sessions.
** After Thursday.
*** After Saturday A. M.
† Thursday and Monday.
†† Thursday and Friday.
††† Monday.
‡ Friday.

NOT EXCUSED—

‡‡ Monday.
‡‡‡ After Thursday A. M.

On motion the program as arranged by the executive committee was adopted with the understanding that the president might alter it as he may deem expedient.

On motion the hours for closing were fixed at 12 m. and 5 p. m.

The president, the Rev. A. J. Reichert, read his official report as follows:

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Brethren:

The Lutheran Church is numerically the strongest of all the denominations in the Northwest. It looks backward half a century, when our fathers from Germany and the Scandinavian countries began to invade it, establishing the Lutheran Zion and institutions of learning and mercy in the mother tongue. They brought with them their religion as the sine quanon for every home. The Bible, the hymnal and religious customs dear to all were considered too sacred to be forgotten. Hence the piety of the fatherland became the piety of the adopted country. Our fathers distributed themselves throughout the Northwest according to nationality. Hence we have strong Swedish, Norwegian, Danish, and German settlements. In some counties of Minnesota there is a Lutheran church of some nationality every few miles. While our Church holds the first place, she must not lose it; she must not fall behind or remain at a standstill in any of her activities. She must go forward gathering strength in her onward march. Each year should be marked by a notable growth in progressiveness, membership, and spirituality. To win and hold the Northwest, to dominate it, the Lutheran Church must plan wisely and do her work well. Every need presenting itself during the transition must be met and every obstacle overcome. The Church must act as one great body, moving under the direction of God. The leaders and the rank and file must work harmoniously regardless of synodical affiliations. The location of new churches and institutions should be well considered so that there will be no interference to existing churches and institutions. In establishing new work of any kind, it would be well if the boards of the different synods could meet from time to time and plan the work. The church in the East made its mistakes which have caused

great losses to the church. Let us profit by those mistakes. Let unity, brotherly kindness, and forbearance prevail.

THE PAST YEAR.

The past year has been one of the most prosperous in our history. The interest manifested by our people in the various lines of church work has increased. The year has been a heavy one for your president on account of the many vacancies which have occurred. I had hoped to have all filled, but have been unable to do so on account of peculiar parish conditions and the lack of available men. There has, however, been no interruption of services in any of the vacancies. In a few weeks, it is to be hoped that all vacancies will be filled.

A BROKEN BAND.

For the first time in many years death has entered our ranks. The Rev. Joseph L. Murphy, late pastor of St. John's Church, Duluth, Minn., passed peacefully unto his rest at Deland, Fla., Wednesday, March 23, 1910, after an illness of several months. He was buried on the Tuesday following in Stoughton, Wis. Upon receipt of the news of his death, I appointed the Rev. Dr. Frick and Revs. Christy, Roth and Gold to attend the funeral and to minister to the comfort and consolation of the bereaved family. I would recommend that a committee be appointed to prepare a biographical sketch of Brother Murphy for Synod, and suitable resolutions for the bereaved family, the latter to be presented at this convention of synod for adoption.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

On. Sept. 23, 1909, the late Rev. J. L. Murphy tendered his resignation as pastor of St. John's Duluth on account of ill health. The resignation took effect Oct. 15.

Oct. 1 the Rev. A. C. Peterson resigned St. Paul's Waterloo, Wis., the same to take effect Dec. 1.

Oct. 13 the Rev. J. J. Clemens resigned Holy Trinity, La Crosse, Wis. in order to accept the call from the congregation at Guelph, Can. His resignation took effect Dec. 31. A letter of transfer was granted to him to unite with the Synod of Central Canada.

In January the Rev. John Keehley resigned Salem con-

gregation, Albert Lea, Minn, in order to accept the call of the Church Extension Society. His resignation took effect June 1.

March 4 the Rev. Paul L. Kunzman resigned the Church of the Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis. His resignation will take effect June 15.

March 10 the Rev. O. S. Yerger resigned Holy Trinity Lindstrom, Minn. His resignation took effect May 1.

April 17, the Rev. W. P. Christy resigned St. Peter's, Janesville, Wis., in order to accept the call of Holy Trinity La Crosse, Wis. His resignation will take effect July 15.

Upon recommendation of the District Superintendents and the pastor loci the Home Mission Board closed the mission congregation at Sioux Falls, S. D., March 1. The pastor, Rev. J. G. M. Hursch, received and accepted a call to his former parish at Vandalia, Ill. He was granted a letter of transfer to the Chicago Synod.

The Rev. S. W. Kuhns having removed from our bounds was granted a letter of transfer in order to unite with the Synod of North Carolina.

OFFICIAL ACTS.

Installations.

The Rev. P. E. Baisler was installed pastor of the First Church Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 22, 1909, by the president of Synod, assisted by the Rev. A. C. Anda, Field Missionary.

Upon recommendation of the Examining Committee the Rev. W. F. Rex was installed as pastor of the Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., May 15 by the Revs. W. K. Frick, D. D., H. K. Gebhart, and W. Eckert.

CORNER STONE LAYINGS.

The corner stone of the Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., was laid with appropriate services on Sunday, Aug. 8, 1909, by the acting pastor, Rev. William Eckert, assisted by Dr. Frick Revs. Gebhart, Anda, and student E. O. Hoffmeister.

July 12, 1909, the corner stone of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Superior, Wis., was laid by the pastor, the Rev. W. H. Gable, assisted by the District Superintendent of Missions Rev. A. C. Anda.

On Sept. 19 the corner stone of the Church of the Holy Communion, Minneapolis, Minn., was laid by the Field Missionary, Rev. J. A. Zundel. Addresses were made by the Rev.

G. H. Trabert, D. D. and the President of the Central Conference, the Rev. A. F Elmquist, Ph. D.

The cornerstone of the Church of the Advent, Cedarburg, Wis., was laid with appropriate services by the pastor Rev. T. F. Weiskotten. The Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D., preached the sermon.

CONSECRATIONS

The portable chapel presented by the congregation at Warren, Pa., for use in the Twin Cities was erected on Arlington Hills, St. Paul, Minn. and is used by the newly organized congregation. Its cost was $1,500. It is churchly in all its appointments. It was consecrated on Oct. 31, 1909, by Field Missionary Rev. J. A. Zundel, assisted by the Revs. W. F. Bacher, R. A. Helms and G. H. Schnur.

Nov. 29, 1909, St. Paul's Waterloo Mission consecrated its new bell. The president of the Eastern Conference, Rev. H. K. Gebhart, preached the sermon.

On Sunday, Dec. 12, 1909, Holy Trinity church, Superior, Wis., was consecrated by the Pastor Rev. W. H. Gable. The Rev. Willis Beck, the first pastor of the congregation, preached the sermon. In the evening the District Superintendent, Rev. A. C. Anda preached. Services were held every evening during the week. The church is a frame building, costing $5,000. It will seat 250 people.

Jan. 12, 1910, the Church of the Atonement was consecrated by the acting pastor, Rev. Wm. Eckert. He was assisted by the Revs. Dr. Frick, Revs. Gebhart, Anda and H. B. Reed. The building is constructed of oriental brick with Bedford stone trimmings, costing $15,000. The auditorium will seat 500 people. In the basement are the Sunday school rooms. The art windows add to the beauty of the church. The first pastor, Rev. W. F. Rex, formerly pastor at Marietta, Pa., took charge Jan. 23.

March 13, the Church of the Advent, Cedarburg, Wis., was consecrated by the pastor. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Dr. Frick. The brethren Anda, Rubrecht, and Kunzmann participated in the services. The church is constructed of native white limestone. It is romanesque in style of architecture and admirable in all its appointments. The cost of ground, building, and furnishings is $14,000.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Congregations—The newly organized congregation at Arlington Hills, St. Paul, applies for admission.

Pastors—Rev. W. F. Rex having received and accepted the call of the Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., applies for admission into Synod. He presents a letter of transfer from the Pennsylvania Ministerium.

Mr. J. E. Schewell, of the graduating class of the Philadelphia Seminary, having received and accepted a call from St. John's, Duluth, Minn., applies for ordination.

Rev. J. Sander, L. H. D., having received and accepted a call from Trinity church, Lindstrom, Minn., applies for admission into Synod. He presents a letter of transfer from Augustana Synod.

PASTORAL OVERSIGHT.

During the year I attended both conventions of the Central Conference and one convention of the Eastern Conference. More parishes were visited than heretofore. All vacant parishes have been visited. In February I attended a meeting of university student workers at the University of Madison, Wis., in the interest of the university student work of the General Council. A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Minnesota Conference of the Augustana Synod was attended to enlist their co-operation and support of a student pastor at the University of Minnesota.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

During my visitation with the pastors and congregations, I was deeply impressed with the fact of the power of the gospel unto salvation. The congregations are beginning to realize more and more that the work of ingathering and development of a parish depends upon the faithful observance of the practices of the church. All congregations are zealous in catechetical instruction of the young. The Lenten season in generally observed, and is becoming one of the most precious seasons of the church year in awakening the careless and indifferent to confess Christ. We are beginning to utilize the energies of our membership in soul-saving. The Lord has blessed the faithful pastoral care over the membership.

There has been a marked increase in mission interest. The tide of missionary enthusiasm is rising. Nearly every congregation has a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society. The Eastern Conference has organized a conference

society, which met for the first time with the Spring convention of conference. The laymen have also become interested. Nearly all congregations sent representatives to the Laymen's Missionary Conventions held in Milwaukee, Duluth, and St. Paul. Through the literature sent out by the Boards, Mission knowledge is increasing, "The Lutheran," "Foreign Missionary," "Home Missionary" and "The Mission Worker" are always filled with the latest mission intelligence. These papers give impetus to all our activities and an incentive for the enlargement of our educational interests and an aggressive spirit in the mission work of Synod. Each parish has done its utmost to raise its full apportionment. The apportionment is considered the minimum amount to be contributed. Congregations which liberally support the general work will do the same in extending and maintaining the local work. Considering the fact that few of our congregations have permanent houses of worship, and are looking forward to better conditions, our growth in benevolent contributions has been marvellous and exceeds per capita many Synods of the General Council.

One of the constant cares of the church should be the rearing of an able and godly ministry. There is a two fold duty resting upon us. On the one hand conditions must be maintained that men of slender natural abilities may be discouraged from entering the ministry; and on the other constant search should be made for as large a number as possible of young men of the highest qualifications who would enoble the calling and induce them to enter the ministry. But there are many devout young men in our congregations, who, because of natural endowments, are not fitted for the ministry but whose endowments qualify them for work in other departments of church activity. There is great need for fully equipped professors for our educational institutions; lay workers peculiarly fitted for our institutions of mercy, hospices, etc. The training of the Church of the future should be a great concern of the church. It should begin in the catechetical class. In the great Northwest new towns are springing up each day. They are beyond the reach of our pastors conveniently. Our people are moving into them. Before leaving the home church our people should be instructed in the founding of churches and their responsibility in the matter. The church must not only show its faith by

the works of the pastors but by the membership in action.

Better financial support of the pastors is claiming the attention of all our congregation. All realize that "the laborer is worthy of his hire". During the past year many congregations have increased the salaries of their pastors. This is commendable. With the increased cost of living and high rents that many pastors have to pay for a house in a suitable location, the minimum salary in our cities should not be less than $1500. The salaries now paid barely enable our pastors to meet their obligations. There should be annual increase made commensurate with the growth of the congregation Efforts should likewise be made to secure comfortable parsonages. There are but five in Synod. Now that our congregations are becoming stronger, numerically and financially, a beginning should be made in each to create a parsonage fund.

THE CASE OF DISCIPLINE.

At the last convention of Synod, the suspension of Rev. C. W. Valentine was continued for one year in accordance with the resolution of Synod. I appointed Revs. Beates and Bacher additional members of the committee, March 31, 1910. I cited Rev. Valentine to appear before the committee at its meeting in Dr. Trabert's study, April 25, at 2 p. m. Notices were sent to him addressed to Lindstrom, Minn. and New York. Both were returned to me by the post office authorities marked "address unknown." He having failed to appear before the committee I cited him to appear before the Ministerium at its meeting this afternoon at 4:45. Thus far I have received no word from him in response to the second notice. The committee will present its report to the Ministerium.

APPORTIONMENTS.

The following amounts are apportioned to Synod by the General Council per annum for the next biennium. Home Missions, $2500; Foreign Missions, $650; Porto Rico, $834; Slav Missions, $125; General Council Expense Fund, $100.

UNIVERSITY STUDENT WORK.

At our last convention Synod appointed a committee on church work in our State Universities. At the last convention of the General Council a similar committee was appointed,

among the personal of which are some of our Synod's committee. The General Council committee has held several meetings. It has called Rev. G. Rast, D. D., of the Augustana Synod to have charge of the work at the University of Minnesota, and Rev. Howard R. Gold of our Synod for the work at the University of Madison, Wis. Both have accepted the call of the committee. It is the intention to rent a house near each university, which will be used as the center for our work. The first floor of each will be used as reception rooms, reading room, etc., and the second floor as a dormitory. Lectures will be delivered from time to time to our students by the most prominent clerical and laymen in the church. It is not the intention to confine the work to one general body of the church. It is to be inter synodical. The committee is authorized to seek the cooperation of all bodies upon this territory. The General Council authorized its committee to inaugurate the work and not to involve the Council in any expense. The committee has gone to an expense of $2,000 per annum in the hope that our brethren every where will assist us with large contributions. We trust that our Synod will not be behind in this matter. February 15-17 the third convention of Church Workers for State Universities was held at the University of Madison. Your president, as Chairman of the General Council Committee, Dr. Frick, Dr. J. A. Haas, President of Muhlenberg College, and Rev. Gold attended. It was an interesting convention. We received an insight into the nature of the work and were impressed with the responsibility resting upon the church toward our student body. One of the best addresses of the convention was made by Dr. Haas on "The Relation of the College to the Domination." It was well received. The proceedings of the convention have been printed in pamphlet form and can be had from Pastor Gold at a nominal sum.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AUGUSTANA SYNOD.

June 5-15, this large and influential body will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary at Rock Island, Ill., with appropriate services. Augustana has done a noble work among our Swedish people. She has carried the gospel to them in all parts of our land. Her institutions of learning and mercy are of a high order. Her missionary operations have been carried

on in an aggressive spirit. God has blessed and prospered her. The following invitation was sent to your president.

Moline, Ill., Feb. 23, 1910.

Rev. A. J. Reichert, President of the English Synod of the Northwest.

Dear Brother:

At the next convention of the Augustana Synod at Rock Island, Ill., June 5-15, 1910, the synod will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary. You are herewith cordially invited to attend this meeting of Synod. The official greetings from invited guests will take place at 2 p. m. Saturday, June 11. We sincerely hope that you will be able to accept our invitation.

With kind regards, very cordially yours,

Chairman and Secretary of the committee on arrangements.

L. A. JOHNSON,

L. G. ABRAHAMSON.

In reply, I stated that Synod no doubt would take favorable action upon the invitation and send a representative.

MEMORIAL FUND OF THE QUADRI-CENTENNIAL OF THE REFORMATION.

The General Council at Minneapolis unanimously and enthusiastically resolved that all its synods and members make one great and united effort to raise a large Memorial Fund in honor of the coming Quadri-Centennial of the Reformation, the said fund to be devoted to the educational, missionary, and benevolent causes of the church. A jubilee committee was appointed whose duty it was to bring this subject to the notice of the various synods, point out the great apportunity which the event offers to familiarize our people with the glorious history, precious heritage, and the boundless possibilities of our church in this country, and thus to arouse them to a sense of serious responsibility and enthusiastic support of our expanding work. It is surely fitting in view of the great anniversary occasion of 1917, that the General Council should be aroused as never before, to carry forward a great national project which will be of epocal benefit to Lutheranism in America and in foreign lands. This project will demonstrate to all that the Lutheran Church is a true unit in the faith, that it can see beyond mere sectional interests, and carry forward sucessessfully a broad, unified plan for the continuance and enlargement of the great works covering its mis-

sionary and educational needs. The tentative plan of the Jubilee committee is as follows:

1. The amount of the funds to be raised shall be two million dollars or more.

2. All funds shall be used as endowment funds only and will thus work through the ages.

3. A ministerial pension fund, foreign and home missions, and the educational and benevolent interests of the church shall be the beneficiaries of the fund.

The present membership of the committee numbers twenty-three. It is proposed that the membership of the committee will be enlarged to fifty or more, thus insuring a good representation from each synod. This proposed plan of the Jubilee Committee should receive the unanimous and hearty action of Synod.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE OF THE ORDINATION OF REV. GEORGE HENRY TRABERT, D. D.

In consultation with the brthren of Synod, I deemed it fitting that Synod at this convention should properly celebrate this event. The life and labors of Dr. Trabert constitute an important part in the history of English Lutheranism in the North-west. A large part of his ministry has been upon this territory. The church rejoices over the work which he has accomplished. May the Lord continue to give him grace, strength and health to continue to labor in His vineyard. A program in commemoration of the event has been aranged.

THE GENERAL COUNCIL MINISTERIAL PENSION FUND.

The General Council, at its last convention, resolved to establish a Ministerial Pension Fund to provide for the retirement of ministers after they have served the Lord faithfully in His Church for a definite period of time or have become totally disabled in the work of the Master. A committee was appointed to formulate a plan for the establishment of such a fund. The committee submits the following proposed plan to the synods of the General Council for consideration and action.

PROPOSED PLAN FOR MINISTERIAL PENSION FUND.

1. Resolved that the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America establish a Ministerial Pension Fund.

2. The benefit of the General Council Pension Fund shall

apply to two classes, (1) retired ministers, (2) disabled ministers.

3. It shall be understood that the benefits of this Fund shall apply only to those who are in good standing in the Synod to which they belong at the time when they are entitled to become beneficiaries of the Fund.

4. Those eligible in the class (1) of retired Ministers shall consist of persons who have reached the age of sixty-seven (67) years, and have been in the Evangelical Lutheran ministry not less than thirty (30) years, the last fifteen (15) of which shall have been spent in the service of the General Council.

5. In case a man, who has reached the age limit of the retired class, is formally requested to continue in the work of his office, this shall not debar him from enjoying the benefits of the Fund when he retires.

6. Any minister becoming totally disabled while in the service of the General Council may be entitled to the benefits of this Fund.

7. The General Council shall create a Board to administer this Fund. This Board shall have the proper investment of the Fund under its control, and shall be charged with the duty of increasing the same; it shall make regulations for the administration of the work; it shall thoroughly investigate all cases properly brought before it and shall have the power of decision in such cases. The said Board shall organize and elect officers for the discharge of the aforesaid duties. Said Board shall consist of nine (9) members and shall be elected by the General Council; three (3) members of the first Board to serve two (2) years, three (3) to serve four (4) years and three (3) to serve six (6) years; their successors to be elected for a period of six (6) years, any member of the Board being eligible for re-election.

8. The provisions of this Fund shall become effective as soon as the newly elected Board shall recive from the Jubilee Fund or other sources a sufficient amount to enable them to go into operation.

9. The provisions of this General Council Fund shall in no wise interfere with any measures adopted or employed by any of the Synods of the General Council for the relief of widows or orphans of ministers, or any cases of disability not covered by the foregoing resolutions.

The secretary of the committee states that the Jubilee Fund Committee has decided that one million dollars to be raised by 1917 shall be devoted to the Pension Fund.

INNER MISSIONS.

There is no more important work in the church today than this. Knowledge of it is meagre among our people. To some it is entirely unknown. The General Council's committee has prepared a set of propositions which is to be the basis for discussion at our Synod and Conferences, copies of which will be sent us in time for the fall meetings of Conferences. The propositions are now appearing in "The Lutheran." "I would, therefore, recommend that these propositions be considered at our Conference meetings during the year and at our next convention of Synod, and that a committee be appointed to present them.

THE LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT.

The year 1910 will rank as a missionary year. The Laymen's movement, the Student Volunteer convention at Rochestor, N. Y., and the Ecumenical Conference of Foreign Missions at Edinburgh, Scotland, all have helped to arouse special interest. The conventions of laymen were interdenominational in character, and were were held in seventy-five cities in the United States and Canada, closing with a National Convention in Chicago. Their purpose was to create a greater interest in Foreign Missions. The addresses were made by foreign missionaries who were home on furlough. Denominational meetings were held by delegates of each denomination in connection with the conventions. Upon our territory conventions were held in Milwaukee, St. Paul, and Duluth. Many of our pastors and laymen attended one of the conventions. Among the speakers were our senior foreign missionary, Dr. Harpster, likewise Dr. Wolf, Dr. Kaehler and Dr. Aberly. Through these conventions our people received foreign mission news at first hand, and came in touch with the workers on the field. Permanent good has no doubt been accomplished and results will be manifested in the devout prayers, larger mission force, and contributions offered. While stress was laid upon the foreign work by many denominations, our church is unique in this that she has a large field and as great a call in which to do Home Mission work.

There should be no rivalry with us between the Home and Foreign Mission work. And we trust, that, as no denomination has the home mission field that we have, the church will lend her prayers, her men, her means in developing the entire field. In many of our parishes men's organizations have been affected and are doing good work locally and synodically. At the last convention of the General Council, action was taken requesting the synods to appoint a committee to meet under the presidency of the President of the General Council to consider the question of national laymen's organization, and to take such action as may be deemed proper. I would therefore recommend that such committee be appointed, and that the lay delegates to Synod be granted the privilege of calling a meeting during this convention to consider the question of forming a synodical organization. God's work is one work and all who labor together with Him are sharers in His triumphs everywhere.

CONSOLIDATION OF MEMORIAL AND ST. JAMES' CHURCHES, ST. PAUL.

For some time a movement has been on foot for the consolidation of these two congregations. Memorial Church faces the condition that two-thrids of its membership resides on St. Anthony Hill, the territory occupied by St. James. It is also becoming increasingly difficult to maintain work as a down town church. It is admitted that Memorial Church should remain in its present location, but it has neither a strong constituency in the neighborhood nor an endowment to continue the work with success. St. James has outgrown its small church and needs a new building. On account of the shifting of its membership, it has also contemplated a change of location and building in the region which Memorial would likely ocupy if it should remove from its present location It is the opinion of the pastors and leading members that the best solution of the problem is to be found in the consolidation of the two congregations. At recent meetings of both congregations unanimous action was taken providing for the consolidation. Provision has been made for the membership in the outlying districts. A mission committee has been appointed of which the president of Synod is ex-officio, a member for the planting of new congregations in these districts. While affirmative action was taken now, the final

consumation of the project will not take place for some time. Three lots in a fine location in the best residence district have been purchased.

And now may the blessing of God the Father, and the grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, and the guidance and fellowship of the Holy Spirit abide upon us in all our counsels, decisions and labors.

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT J. REICHERT, President.

Cannon Falls, June 2, 1910.

On motion the report was received and referred to a committee.

On account of the unavoidable absence of the treasurer, the Hon. C. A. Smith, his report was read by the Rev. Dr. Trabert.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

In account with the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

June 15, 1909 to May 23, 1910.

RECEIPTS.

Advent Congregation, Cedarburg, Wis.	$ 19.98
Arlington Hills Mission	7.88
Atonement Congregation, Racine, Wis.	41.34
Atonement Congregation, Beloit, Wis.	4.56
English Lutheran Congregation, Cannon Falls, Minn.	19.05
Epiphany Congregation, Milwaukee, Wis.	161.05
First Church, Middleton, Wis.	14.81
First Church, Platteville, Wis.	127.29
First Church, Winnipeg, Man.	41.00
Grace Church, Kenosha, Wis.	77.60
Holy Communion Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	33.35
Holy Communion Congregation, Racine, Wis.	116.24
Holy Trinity Congregation, Afton, Wis.	1.00
Holy Trinity Congregation, LaCrosse, Wis.	11.90
Holy Trinity Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	166.65
Holy Trinity Congregation, Superior, Wis.	82.25
Holy Trinity Congregation, Madison, Wis.	42.48
Memorial Congregation, St. Paul, Minn.	288.66

Redeemer Congregation, Livingston, Mont.	72.35
Redeemer Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	40.50
Redeemer Congregation, Milwaukee, Wis.	515.27
Redeemer Congregation, Sioux Fall, S. D.	9.11
Redeemer Congregation, Zumbrota, Minn.	15.09
Reformation Congregation, Milwaukee, Wis.	73.64
Salem Congregation, Albert Lea, Minn.	114.43
Salem Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	544.74
St. James Congregation, St. Paul, Minn.	338.38
St. John's Congregation, Duluth, Minn.	231.00
St. John's Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	441.86
St. John's Congregation, Oshkosh, Wis.	95.25
St. John's Congregation, Stacy, Minn.	27.18
St. Luke's Congregation, Goodhue, Minn.	27.68
St. Mark's Congregation, Fargo, N. D.	262.35
St. Mark's Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	184.60
St. Mark's Congregation, No. St. Paul, Minn.	7.19
St. Paul's Congregation, Red Wing, Minn.	332.95
St. Paul's Congregation, Waterloo, Wis.	47.00
St. Peter's Congregation, Janesville, Wis.	240.60
Trinity Congregation, Lindstrom, Minn.	109.18
Trinity Congregation, St. Paul, Minn.	187.51
Deaconess Mother House Congregation, Milwaukee Wis.	153.52
Twin City Pastoral Association	23.47
Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of Central Conference	114.79
Balance last report Ministerial Education Beneficiary	161.52
Balance last report Synodical General Expense	126.40
Balance last report Synodical Delegates Traveling Expenses	75.28
	$5829.93

DISBURSEMENTS

Synodical General Expenses	316.57
Synodical Delegates Traveling Expenses	221.43
Chicago Theological Seminary	1211.45
General Council Foreign Missions, India	853.30
General Council Foreign Missions, Porto Rico	360.26
General Council Foreign Missions, Persian	2.00
General Council Home Missions, English	1558.72
General Council Slav Missions	90.93

General Council Church Extension	847.42
Orphans, Joliet	1.54
Orphans, Vasa	80.50
Funds remaining in Treasury, Ministerial Education	210.97
Funds remaining in Treasury, Synodical General Expense.	44.83
Funds remaining in Treasury, Synodical Delegates' Traveling Expenses	30.01
	$5829.93

DETAILED STATEMENT SYNODICAL DELEGATE'S TRAVELING EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Old balance	75.28
Advent, Cedarburg, Wis.	3.98
Atonement, Beloit, Wis.	.56
Atonement, Racine, Wis.	10.30
First Church, Middleton, Wis.	3.48
First Church, Platteville, Wis.	3.03
Grace, Kenosha, Wis.	18.07
Holy Communion, Minneapolis, Minn.	2.25
Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.	3.48
Holy Trinity, Racine, Wis.	45.24
Memorial, St. Paul, Minn.	17.72
Redeemer, Livingston, Mont.	6.57
Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.	17.23
St. John's, Minneapolis, Minn.	6.14
St. John's, Oshkosh, Wis.	1.76
Salem, Minneapolis, Minn.	10.10
St. Paul's, Red Wing, Minn.	5.23
St. Peter's, Janesville, Wis.	10.10
Trinity, St. Paul, Minn.	10.92
	$251.44

DISBURSEMENTS.

English, Cannon Falls, Minn.	2.02
First, Winnipeg, Man.	30.37
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn.	15.85
Holy Trinity, Superior, Wis.	25.77
Redeemer, Minneapolis, Minn.	22.95
Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D.	17.99

Reedeemer, Zumbrota, Minn	1.35
Salem, Albert Lea, Minn	18.80
Salem, Albert Lea, Minn. (Bal. 1908-1909)	8.22
St. Jame's, St. Paul, Minn	6.65
St. John's, Duluth, Minn	14.80
St. John's, Stacy, Minn	2.74
St. Luke's, Goodhue, Minn	2.69
St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D	25.60
St. Mark's, Minneapolis, Minn	8.35
St. Mark's, No. St. Paul, Minn	5.55
Trinity, LaCrosse, Wis	.78
Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn	10.95
Cash Balance	30.01
	$ 251.44

AMOUNTS STILL DUE FROM CONGREGATIONS, 1906.

St. Mark's, No. St. Paul, Minn	$ 3.82

AMOUNTS STILL DUE FROM CONGREGATIONS, 1908.

Trinity, St. Paul, Minn	11.88
First Church, Middleton, Wis	1.40
	$ 13.28

AMOUNTS STILL DUE FROM CONGREGATIONS, 1909.

Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis	3.48
Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis	15.27
Atonement, Racine, Wis	1.92
	20.67

DETAILED STATEMENT SYNODICAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From all sources and old balance	361.40

DISBURSEMENTS.

Printing of Minutes	90.35
General Council Dues	50.00

Secretary's Expenses, Postage, Express, etc.....	20.47
Printing	60.80
Traveling Expenses, President.....	94.95
Cash Balance	44.83
Total	$361.40

Securities of the Eng. Luth. Synod of the Northwest in the hands of the Treasurer.

Note and Mortgage from the trustees of St. John's Church of Stacy, Minn., for $300.00, payable April 20, 1909, without interest.

The congregations have not complied with the suggestions of the Synod or the Synodical Treasurer to set aside the amounts of their apportionment on the several days appointed by the Synod when such contributions should be made up and forwarded. We are in arrears to the General Council for our annual contribution for Council expenses in the sum of $50.00. This was not paid owing to the fact that the following congregations failed to make any contributions for Synodical expense, each having been apportioned the sum set opposite their names:

St. Mark's, North St. Paul.....	$ 4.00
St. John's, Stacy.....	2.00
Trinity, LaCrosse	8.00
Grace, Kenosha	11.00
Epiphany, Milwaukee	13.00
St. John's Oshkosh	5.00
Reformation, Milwaukee	8.00
First English, Middleton.....	2.00
Atonement, Racine	7.00
	$ 60.00

Inasmuch as our Synodical General Expenses are increasing, I would suggest that either all congregations be more particular to contribute the amounts due from each of them or the amount of the apportionment for this purpose be increased.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A SMITH,

Treasurer of English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

Dated, June 1st, 1910.

Detailed Statement of Congregation's Contributions, Synodical Year, 1909-1910.

	SYNODICAL			GENERAL COUNCIL					ADDITIONAL SPECIAL				
	General Exp.	Traveling Exp.	Church Extension	Home Missions	Foreign Missions India	Foreign Missions Porto Rico	Foreign Missions Persian	Slav Missions	Chicago Seminary	Minister Edu.	Orph's Joliet	Orph's Vasa	
St. John's Minneapolis ...	$ 18.00	$ 6.14	$ 80.72	$ 150.00	$ 52.00	$ 31.00	.....	7.00	90.00	7.00	.....	.....	441.86
Memorial, St. Paul	17.00	17.72	58.80	126.24	40.40	10.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	16.50	288.66
Trinity, St. Paul	13.00	10.92	27.86	41.10	26.64	13.49	.....	4.00	46.50	4.00	.....	.....	187.51
St. Paul's Red Wing, ...	15.00	5.23	29.71	51.58	33.95	20.43	.....	5.00	172.05	.....	.....	.....	332.95
Salem, Minneapolis, ...	20.00	10.00	63.00	161.60	74.50	35.00	.....	27.12	85.42	8.00	.....	60.00	544.74
St. John's Duluth, Minn..	9.00	.....	18.00	55.00	18.00	12.00	.....	2.00	115.00	2.00	.....	.....	231.00
St. Mark's N. St. Paul ...	.....	.....	7.19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.19
St. James, St. Paul, Minn.	10.00	.....	81.00	124.00	31.00	27.00	.....	4.00	57.38	4.00	.....	.....	338.38
St. Luke's, Goodhue, Minn.	4.00	.....	5.50	10.00	5.00	1.68	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	27.68
English, Cannon Falls, ..	3.00	.....	3.80	7.50	2.75	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.05
Redeemer, Zumbrota, ...	3.00	.....	3.00	4.60	2.49	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.09
Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn.	7.00	.....	20.78	12.37	10.44	12.00	.....	.....	46.59	.....	.....	.....	109.18
St. John's, Stacy, Minn. .	.....	.....	3.60	6.45	6.60	4.00	.....	.....	6.53	.....	.....	.....	27.18
St. Mark's, Minneapolis, .	9.00	.....	28.29	62.36	40.95	17.00	.....	4.00	19.00	4.00	.....	.....	184.60
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis,	6.00	.....	46.90	50.50	18.00	10.00	.....	2.00	31.25	2.00	.....	.....	166.65
Salem, Albert Lea, Minn.	5.00	.....	38.40	33.13	14.30	8.00	.....	2.00	13.60	.....	.....	.....	114.43
Holy Communion, ...	1.00	2.25	3.00	11.00	3.00	4.10	.....	1.00	7.00	1.00	.....	.....	33.35
Redeemer, Minneapolis, ..	3.00	.....	.....	17.00	8.50	10.00	.....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	40.50
Arlington Hill Mission, .	.....	.....	4.85	.....	3.03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.88
Redeemer, Milwaukee, ...	21.00	17.23	5.00	100.50	120.00	11.00	2.00	10.00	227.00	.....	1.54	.....	515.27
Holy Communion, Racine,	24.00	45.24	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	116.24
Trinity, La Crosse, ...	.....	.....	.20	6.00	.65	.15	.....	.95	.50	3.45	.....	.....	11.90
Grace, Kenosha, ...	.....	18.07	33.00	8.01	14.52	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	77.60
First, Platteville, ...	8.00	3.03	25.00	29.74	31.52	.....	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	127.29
St. Peter's, Janesville, ...	8.00	10.10	25.00	72.00	30.00	15.00	.....	3.00	74.50	3.00	.....	.....	240.60
Advent, Cedarburg, Wis...	3.00	3.98	.....	13.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.98
Epiphany, Milwaukee, ...	.....	.....	23.62	49.69	29.27	38.00	.....	.....	20.47	.....	.....	.....	161.05
Atonement, Beloit, ...	4.00	.56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.56
Holy Trinity, Superior, ..	3.00	.....	12.50	27.74	11.00	7.35	.....	1.00	18.66	1.00	.....	.....	82.25
Holy Trinity, Madison, ..	4.00	3.48	10.00	10.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42.48
St. Paul's, Waterloo, ...	3.00	.....	8.00	22.00	8.00	.....	.....	1.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	47.00
St. John's, Oshkosh, ...	.....	1.76	31.49	37.00	13.00	8.00	.....	2.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	95.25
Reformation, Milwaukee, .	.....	.....	44.14	29.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.64
First English, Middleton,.	.....	3.48	6.00	5.33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.81
Holy Trinity, Afton, ...	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
Atonement, Racine, ...	.....	10.30	28.04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	41.34
St. Mark's, Fargo, ...	11.00	.....	32.00	93.00	32.00	29.85	.....	4.00	56.50	4.00	.....	.....	262.35
Redeemer, Sioux Falls, ..	.....	.....	4.00	5.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.11
Redeemer, Livingston, ...	2.00	6.57	20.53	17.51	6.00	3.38	.....	1.36	10.00	1.00	.....	4.00	72.35
First English, Winnepeg, .	1.00	.....	9.50	12.00	4.00	3.00	.....	1.00	8.50	2.00	.....	.....	41.00
Twin City Pastoral Assn.	.....	.....	.....	23.47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.47
W. H. & F. M. So. Ct. Con.	.....	.....	.....	36.17	51.79	26.83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114.79
Deaconess Mother House,	.....	.....	5.00	35.52	65.00	.....	.....	.....	48.00	.....	.....	.....	153.52
	$235.00	$176.16	$847.42	$1558.72	$853.30	$360.26	$2.00	$90.93	$1211.45	$49.45	$1.54	$80.50	$5466.73

On motion the above report was received and referred to an auditing committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The president appointed as tellers: The Revs. P. E. Baisler, L. B. Deck and Mr. H. W. Knauff.

The result of the election was as follows:

Rev. A. J. Reichert, President.

Rev. W. P. Christy, Secretary.

Hon. C. A. Smith, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Your Committee offers the following:

I. Parochial Statistics: Table A., pages 72-73.

II. Parochial Finances: Tables B., pages 74-75.

III. Church Organizations: Table C., pages 76-77.

From the parochial reports we glean the following facts.

There are 31 pastors serving 39 congregations and missions. There are 29 church buildings, 5 parsonages and 6 additional church sites. The property value is $409,850.00, an increase of $82.115.00 in which there is an indebtedness of $185,762.73. The increase of local expenditure for the year is $4,381.50. There are reported for the year:

Students for the Ministry	17
Catechumens	862
Number communed during year	5300
Members in good standing	6200
Confirmed Members	7440
Baptized Members	12456
Infants Baptized	461

ACCESSIONS.

Adult Baptisms	44
Confirmations	686
From Lutheran Congregations	133
Renewal of Faith	373
Restoration	48

LOSSES.

Death	46
Transfer	127
Otherwise	318
Net Increase	793

Current Expenses	$43183.99
Extraordinary Expenses	28470.07
Total for Local Work	71654.06

BENEVOLENCE

Synodical Expenses	$ 235.00
Synodical Traveling Expenses	391.82
Ministerial Relief Fund	392.61
Chicago Seminary	1163.45
Ministerial Education	49.45
Home Missions	1659.47
Church Extension	948.03
Foreign Missions	881.29
Porto Rico Mission	383.61
Slav Missions	106.95
Other Benevolence	1200.26
Total Benevolence	$ 7411.94
Grand Total Contributions	$79066.00
Average per Member	12.75

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.

Sunday Schools:

Enrollment	6450
Average Attendance	3880
For Local Objects	$ 5300.00
For Benevolence	1975.00

WOMAN'S SOCIETIES

Enrollment	1570
Average Attendance	1025
For Local Objects	$ 8850.50
For Benevolence	$ 1010.00

LUTHER LEAGUES INCLUDING MEN'S SOCIETIES.

Enrollment	1540
Average Attendance	970
For Local Object	$ 2440.00
For Benevolence	225.00

Your Committee desires to express their hearty appreciation of the promptness in sending in the Parochial Reports. It has been a vast improvement over former years.

We call attention of the fact that there is too large a number of losses reported under "Otherwise." This means only such as are disciplined or regularly suspended by action of the Church Council.

We offer the following recommendations:

(1). That greater care be exercised in filling out the blanks so that your reports will not only be accurate but complete in every particular.

(2). That pastors be requested to see that their Parochial Reports be in the hands of the Committee not later than the tenth of May of each year.

(3). That the Report of the Committee on Statistics and Parochial Reports be made the regular order immediately after election of officers.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE H. SCHNUR, Chm.
JOHN A. ZUNDEL,
L. F. GRUBER.

After an animated discussion the report was adopted in the above form.

On motion of the Rev. James F. Beates, May 1st was determined the time for closing parochial reports.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved to insert a separate rubric for men's societies in report blanks.

On motion of Rev. W. P. Christy it was resolved to insert a foot-note on the report blank to read as follows:

"For amounts contributed on apportionment, see Treasurer's Report."

The president appointed the following committees:

President's Report: The Revs. Dr. Frick, Dr. Trabert, F. W. Klingensmith, W. F. Bacher, Messrs. H. W. Knauff, A. A. Miller and C. O. Krohne.

Conferences: Revs. John Keehley, L. F. Gruber, James F. Beates, R. A. Helms, Messrs. Harry Isaacson, J. H. Langsdorf and Otto Rydell.

Auditing: Messrs. J. E. Nelson, Frank Erickson, C. A. Victor and R. A. Schultz.

Reception of Congregation: Revs. Willis Beck, Paul H. Roth, H. K. Gebhart, John A. Zundel, Messrs. Adolf Anderson and J. F. Pergande.

Appointment: Revs. A. F. Elmquist Ph. D., F. E. Jensen,

L. B. Deck, W. H. Gable, Wm. S. Ulrich and Messrs. Charles J. Sersen and James Nelson.

Press: Revs. George H. Schnur, L. F. Gruber and P. E. Baisler.

Excuse: Revs. Willis Beck, R. A. Helms, Messrs. Theodore Bakke and B. F. Keeler.

Protocol and Printed Minutes: Revs. C. B. Lindtwed, H. R. Gold, L. W. Steckel, P. E. Baisles, Messrs. August Jacke, Christian Dane and Fred Fester.

Adjourned with prayer.

SECOND SESSION

Thursday, June 2nd, 2:00 P. M.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. James F. Beates. Roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

Upon the recommendation of the Ministerium the following applicants were formally received into Synod, and upon their presentation by the chairman of the Examining Committee, the Rev. Dr. Trabert, were heartily welcomed by the president:

The Rev. John Sander, L. H. D.

The Rev. Willoughby F. Rex.

It was further resolved upon the recommendation of the Ministerium to receive for ordination Mr. Jehile E. Schewell, pastor elect of St. John's, Duluth, Minn. Upon motion Mr. Schewell was granted the privilege of the floor.

The following report was presented by the Rev. Dr. Trabert:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

Of Minister's and Minister's Widow's and Orphans' Fund.

To the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

A year ago your Board reported the whole amount in the fund to be $1893.57, which was invested with the C. A. Smith Timber Co. at 6 per cent for which a demand note was given.

In order to keep the importance of this fund before the minds of the pastors and congregations, your Board issued a circular letter which was sent to every pastor and congre-

gation before the end of Dec. 1909. This was deemed of special importance this year because of the manificent offer made to the Synod by the Hon. C. A. Smith, a member of your Board; that, "if before the end of this synodical year, all the congregations and pastors connected with our Synod will have paid into this fund the full amount, according to the rules and regulations since their adoption, by the Synod, for the creation of this fund," then he would add sufficient to amount, with the funds in hand, to the full amount set to make the fund available, namely $10,000.00.

This offer of Mr. Smith, together with the subsequent action of the Synod, was incorporated in the letter with the expressed hope that all pastors and congregations would by the close of the synodical year meet all their obligations to date. A special committee was appointed to bring the matter before all hitherto delinquent and to see that the several pastors and congregations who have hitherto taken little interest in this fund be aroused to action.

The following congregations responded before the close of the year; Central Conference:

English Ev. Lutheran congregation, Cannon Falls.
First Ev. Lutheran congregation, Winnepeg.
Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran congregation, La Crosse.
Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran congregation, Minneapolis.
Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran congregation, Superior, Wis.
Redeemer Ev. Lutheran congregation, Livingston, Mon.
Redeemer Ev. Lutheran congregation, Minneapolis.
Redeemer Ev. Lutheran congregation, Zumbrota.
Salem Ev. Lutheran congregation, Albert Lea.
Salem Ev. Lutheran congregation, Minneapolis.
St. James Ev. Lutheran congregation, St. Paul.
St. John's Ev. Lutheran congregation, Minneapolis.
St. Lukes Ev. Lutheran congregation, Goodhue.
St. Mark's Ev. Lutheran congregation, Fargo.
St. Mark's Ev. Lutheran congregation, Minneapolis.
St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran congregation, Red Wing.
Trinity Ev. Lutheran congregation, St. Paul.

The following have not responded to date:

Arlington Hills Mission, which has little or no income. Holy Communion, Minneapolis, which is in the same class as Arlington Hills. Memorial St. Paul, which was an over-

sight and will be in shortly. St. John's, Duluth, which has been vacant since last fall but will send in its quarter shortly. St. John's Stacy, also vacant. St. Mark's, N. St. Paul, no reason given. Trinity, Lindstrom, vacant. We believe that all these congregations will meet their obligation in the next few months.

The following pastors from the Central Conference paid their quota into the fund:

Rev. P. E. Baisler,	Dr. A. F. Elmquist,
Rev. J. F. Beates,	Rev. W. H. Gable,
Rev. Willis Beck,	Rev. L. F. Gruber,
Rev. Luther B. Deck,	Rev. John Keeley,
Rev. F. W. Klingensmith,	Dr. G. H. Trabert,
Rev. J. L. Murphy—for 1909	Rev. W. S. Ulrich,
Rev. A. J. Reichert,	Rev. O. C. Yerger,
Rev. G. H. Schnur,	Rev. J. A. Zundel.

There are only three that have not responded to date, one of which will pay his quota shortly.

From the Eastern Conference the following congregations responded:

Atonement Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Beloit.
Epiphany Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Milwaukee.
Grace Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Kenosha.
Holy Communion Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Racine.
Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Madison.
Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Milwaukee.
St. John's Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Oshkosh.
St. Paul's, Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Waterloo.
St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Janesville.
First Church Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Middleton.

The following have not responded, namely Advent, Cedarburg, which will be paid in very soon. Atonement, Racine. This congregation has had no regular pastor since its organiation. First Church, Platteville, which will soon be paid. Holy Trinity, Afton, without a regular pastor. Reformation, Milwaukee, vacant.

From the Eastern Conference the follows have paid, viz.:

Rev. W. P. Christy,	Rev. G. K. Rubrecht,
Rev. Wm. Eckert,	Rev. Howard R. Gold,
Dr. W. K. Frick,	Rev. C. B. Lindtwed,

Rev. H. K. Gebhart, Rev. Paul H. Roth,
Rev. Theo. F. Weiskotten.

The following failed to pay, Rev. Paul L. Kunzman, who has resigned his congregation in Milwaukee; Rev. A. C. Peterson, who is without a parish. The only congregations, excepting several missions that have little or no income, that have given no reason for their selinquency in contributing to our fund are the Church of the Atonement, Racine, a new congregation and the Church of the Reformation, Milwaukee.

There is the probability, that, in the latter case the matter was never brought to their notice by the pastor. It would be well if the secretary of the Synod would be authorized to furnish your Board with a list of the secretaries of the several congregations so that the annual letter might be sent directly to the congregation through the secretary, as well as to the pastor.

As there has been a number of delays in sending in the money for the fund at the proper time your Board would beg leave to call the attention of pastors and congregation to the resolution adopted in 1907: "Resolved that the limit of time given congregations and pastors for the payment of their respective amounts due this fund, be until the closing of the treasurer's books, previous to the meeting of Synod."

It is a great satisfaction that the interest in this fund on the part of the congregations has been so general and that nearly all have responded, and that the reason that some have not been so prompt was in most cases unavoidable from force of circumstances. It is a matter of regret that two of the congregations in the Eastern Conference have not given any reason as to why they did not comply with the request of the Synod, nor did your Board hear anything from their pastors, although they were specially written to. The offer of Mr. Smith was conditioned on all the congregations and pastors responding. Believing those congregations and pastors will fall into line, Mr. Smith has generously extended the time, in order to give ample opportunity for them to bring up their arrearage to this fund—to October of this year. If by that time the several amounts are in, he will add sufficient to make the $10,000.00, and make the fund immediately available. It is of course understood that pastors and congregations will

continue to contribute annually according to the rules adopted so as to swell the principle as much as possible.

The whole amount received from congregations during the year is $343.38 as over against $242.99, an increase of $100.39. The amount received from pastors is $174.20, which is $58.70 more than last year. The total amount received is $517.58. To this must be added a like amount from C. A. Smith in accordance with pledge $517.58, and interest on note amounting to $113.61, making a total of receipts $1148.87, this added to the money invested gives a grand total in the fund of $3042.24. Deducting an expenditure of $4.20 leaves the Synod $3038.08. It was resolved to invest the same as last year. During the year one of the active members of your Board died, Judge N. O. Werner. To Judge Werner more than to any one else is due the developing of our plan for ministerial relief. The Board therfore saw fit to draft the following resolutions:

Whereas, is pleased our Father in Heaven to call away from earth, Judge N. O. Werner, the president of this Board, therefore

Resolved, that we appreciate the deep interest our late member and friend took in the fund for the reiief of superannated ministers and the widows and orphans of deceased ministers, the plan for which he to a great extent originated—that we sincerely regret his removal from our midst, and that we extend our deepest sympathy to his bereaved family.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late friend and co-worker, and that they be spread upon our minutes.

The time of Judge Andrew Holt expires with this convention and a successor must be elected. The unexpired term of Judge N. O. Werner must also be filled.

Respectfully submitted,

A. HOLT,
G. H. TRABERT,
OTTO MONSON,
C. A. SMITH.

P. S. Since the closing of the books, there was received from Platteville congregation $28.75, and from Rev. Steckel $4.25, total $32.82.

MINISTERS' AID FUND.

Contributed by congregation	$ 343.38
Contributed by pastors	174.20
	517.58
Like amount from Mr. C. A. Smith in accordance with pledge	517.58
Old note	1893.51
Interest on old note	113.61
	3042.28
Disbursements:	
Printing circular letter	4.20
Total on hand	$3038.08

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. SMITH,

Treasurer of English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

Dated, June 1st, 1910.

Upon motion the report was received with the summary for publication and the financial part was submitted to the auditing committee.

As members of the Board of Control, Judge Holdt was re-elected by unanimous ballot and Mr. Fred Swanson of Red Wing chosen as a successor to Judge Warner.

On motion the Revs. Wm. Eckert and John Keehley were continued a committee on the offer of the Hon. C. A. Smith. The Rev. C. B. Lindtwed read a paper; "The Lutheran Synodical Bodies and Their Relation to One another" which was profitably discussed.

The session adjourned with prayer.

THIRD SESSION.

Friday, June 3rd, 9:30 A. M.

Matins was conducted by the Rev. L. B. Deck. Roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

Upon the resolution of Synod the president appointed the Rev. Dr. Trabert, the Rev. George H. Schnur and Mr. H. W. Knauff a committee to prepare resolutions on the death of the Rev. J. L. Murphy.

On motion the president was instructed to appoint a committee to prepare suitable resolutions to be read at the celebration of the Fourtieth Anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. George H. Trabert, D. D. The Revs. L. F. Gruber, and L. B. Deck and Mr. C. B. Johnson were appointed.

The Committee on Appointment presented its report which was adopted after much discussion in the following form. the apportionments of the General Council being adopted:

REPORT OF APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Apportionments begs to report as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 1240.00
Porto Rico Missions	834.00
Home Missions	2500.00
Slav Missions	125.00
Ministerial Education	124.00
Church Extention	870.00
Traveling Expenses	477.23
Synodical Expenses	372.00
Chicago Seminary	1500.00
Total	$8042.23

Respectfuly submitted,
A. F. ELMQUIST,
W. S. ULRICH,
LUTHER B. DECK,
FRANK E. JENSEN,
W. H. GABLE.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Sander.

FOURTH SESSION.

Friday, June 3rd, 2:00 P. M.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. R. A.

Helms. The roll was called and the minutes read and adopted.

Rev. J. A. Zundel gave notice of the following amendment to the By-Laws which was considered at a later session and placed on the table for one year: Article I Sec. I. of the By-Laws to read: The opening service of the annual meeting shall be held on the second Tuesday after Trinity Sunday, at 9. A. M.

Submitted by,

LUTHER B. DECK.
JOHN A. ZUNDEL,

Dr. Trabert read the report of the delegates to the General Council which on motion was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes.

REPORT OF DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The 32d convention of the General Council was held in Salem English Evangelical Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Rev. George H. Trabert, D. D., pastor, Sept. 9 to 14, 1909. This was the third time it met on the territory of the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest, and the second time in Minnesota after an interval of 21 years. At the first meeting in 1888 the Synod was not yet in existence and our English work on this territory was yet feeble, nevertheless, that meeting marked an epoch in the history of the General Council and broke all previous records as to the number of delegates in attendance. Then the English Home Mission work was crystalized and a great step in advance was taken.

The late convention was again a record breaker as to attendance, 209 delegates being enrolled. It again marked an epoch in the history of the body as at this meeting the German work was crystalized resulting in the establishing of an official German organ, "Der Deutsche Lutheraner," into which the different German Synodical organizations were merged.

The report of the English Home Mission Board showed that during the year it had 130 missions under its care, of

which twelve became self supporting and three were organized as self-sustaining congregations.

The contributions for English Home Missions during the biennium were $35,288.35, of which amount this Synod contributed $1,503.42.

The Home Mission work in its various departments, Swedish, German, as well as English was carried forward with vigor as far as the means at hand and the men available would admit.

Summary of General Council Missions.

English Missions, 194 churches, 16,652 communicant members; German Missions, 120 churches, 7,809 communicant members; Swedish Missions 484 churches, 19,533 communicant members; miscellaneous, 3 churches. Grand total, 801 churches, 43,994 communicant members.

The Foreign Mission Board presented its report in a pamphlet of 131 pages. It was the fortieth anniversary of our Foreign Mission work. The income for the biennium was a little less than $100,000.00, of which our Synod contributed $1,205.39, making it the seventh in the amount of contributions, although it stands ninth in the number of communicants.

An important work of the General Council is that of Slav Missions. Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., the superintendent of this work spent two years in Hungary studying the Slovak language as well as the people. He has for the past two years visited the various Slavic settlements and conducted services. Through the Slavic work he came in contact with other nationalities, among which are many Lutherans, and work has been begun among the Wends, of which there are quite a number in Eastern Pennsylvania, as well as in New Jersey. The Siebenbuerger Saxons from Transylvania are Lutherans of which many live in Western Pennsylvania, and are as far as possible taken care of by the Slav Mission Board. Work is also being done among the Magyars, or Huns; and the General Council transferred the Lettish work also to the Slav Board. The apportionment for Slav Mission 's $10,000.00, of which $125.00 is assigned to our Synod.

The Porto Rico Mission includes 5 organized congregations with a communicant membership of 232. The people are

being trained toward self-support as rapidly as possible. The portionment for the biennium is $16,500.00 of which $834.00 is assigned to our Synod.

Church Extension received due attention. An effort is being made to bring the Church Extension Society under the direct control of the General Council. The amount received during the biennium was $42,791, of which our Synod contributed $1,482.84. The fund now amounts to $167,879.91.

The Board of Publication reported that it had transacted a business of nearly $200,000.00 during the biennium.

Inner Mission received careful consideration. The following recommendations were adopted:

"1. That the Committee arrange for holding five Inner Mission Institutes every year, one within the territory of each local branch, and one at some central point.

"2. That Colleges and Theological Seminaries be asked to provide for instruction in the principles and practice of Inner Missions.

"3. That Deaconess Motherhouses be requested to arrange special courses for the instruction of women in Christian work.

"4. That this Committee be instructed to recommend some plan by which men can be trained for similar work after the manner of the Diakonenhaeuser of Europe.

"5. That the officers of this Committee secure information for dissemination in the Church Review, The Lutheran and other publications of the Church."

Concerning one phase of the social evil the Council expressed itself as follows:

"**Resolved**, That this General Council earnestly appeals to the executives of the several States of the Union to see to it that the laws referring to the morality of our people, especially the young, be more rigidly enforced, and that our legislatures be urged to pass more stringent laws for the protection of the home life of the nation.

Something unique in the history of the General Council was the holding of a Laymen's conference to consider such parts of the business as pertain to finances. This conference heartily endorsed the raising of a Jubilee Fund of $2,000,000 by 1917, the four-hundreth anniversary of the beginning of the great Reformation. A committee was appointed to prepare plans for this fund and report at the next con-

vention. A committee was also appointed to prepare a plan for a General Council Ministerial Pension Fund.

A member of our delegation offered the following resolutions with reference to the Fathers of the General Council which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, "That we devoutly thank God that He raised up those noble men who have bequeathed to us the precious heritage which we have in the Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity upon which this General Council stands, and who have directed its course so that it has never given an uncertain sound in the defense of sound Lutheran principles.

2. "That we pray God that those of the Fathers who are still with us may be spared for yet many years to attend the Conventions of this Body, and by their advice and counsel continue to aid in furthering the interests of a sound Lutheranism on the Confessional Basis of this General Council."

The following annual apportionments were made to the Synod of the Northwest.

General Council Treasury	$ 100.00
Porto Rico Mission	834.00
General Council Home Mission	2500.00
Foreign Missions	1240.00
Slav Missions	125.00
Total	$4,839.00

The next Convention of the General Council will open on Thursday of the second week in September, 1911, in Holy Trinity Church, Lancaster, Pa., which will then celebrate the 150th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the church by the Patriarch Muhlenberg.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. REICHERT,
GEORGE H. TRABERT,
W. K. FRICK,
H. W. KNAUFF,
GEORGE H. SCHNUR,
C. A. SMITH.

Chairman J. E. Nelson read the report of the auditing committee which on motion was adopted.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We the undersigned Auditing Committee, do hereby certify that we have examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer and have found them correct. We also found them neatly kept and in accordance with the reports submitted to the Synod, including the following reports, Treasurer's statement, Detailed Statement of contributions by congregations and statement of Ministers Aid Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. NELSON,
F. H. ERICKSON,
R. G. SCHULTZ,
C. A. VICTOR.

Rev. Frank E. Jensen, General Secretary of the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary at Maywood, Ill., read a paper, "Training the Church of the Future."

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolutions on the 40th Anniversary of the Ordination of the Rev. George H. Trabert, D. D.

Whereas, the time of this, the twentieth convention of our Synod, coincides with the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. George Henry Trabert, D. D., and whereas, it was by him that, in the year 1883, the first English work of our Church was begun upon the territory of our Synod, and whereas, the major part of his useful service was spent upon that territory, therefore

Resolved, that our "English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest" express its appreciation of his long and useful services in the interests of our beloved Lutheran Zion.

Resolved, that we express our felicitations upon the many blessings that have attended these services and the success with which they have been crowned.

Resolved, that we express the hope that he may have many more years of usefulness, upon which we would invoke the blessing of Heaven.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our Synod for a permanent record, and

that the same be read at the "Fortieth Anniversary Service" of his ordination to-night.

L. F. GRUBER, Chairman,
L. B. DECK,
C. B. JOHNSON.

On motion of the Rev. W. P. Christy, it was resolved that the president appoint a standing committee of three, whose duty it shall be to arrange for the liturgical portion of the devotional services at Synodical meetings.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Frick it was resolved to meet at 7:30 P. M., in order to hear from the Rev. F. W. Klingensmith concerning the western work.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Rev. W. F. Rex.

FIFTH SESSION.

Saturday, June 4th, 1910, 9 A. M.

Matins was conducted by the Rev. J. A. Zundel. Roll was called. The reading of the minutes was deferred.

On motion the following recommendation of the Ministerium was adopted by a unanimous rising vote: "Resolved, that this ministerium report to Synod that it has investigated the charges made against the Rev. C. W. Valentine and finds that they are well founded, and that the proper legal steps have been taken, and therefore with a grieved heart recommend to Synod his deposition from the office of the Holy Ministry."

At the close of the afternoon session C. W. Valentine was formally deposed by the president of Synod.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

Since reporting to Synod last year Conference held two special and two regular meetings. At the special and one regular meeting in Milwaukee the following actions were taken: Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., was elected president; Rev. Willis Beck, Secretary-Treasurer; and Mr. O. H. Adler as member of the Executive Committee of Synod. It was moved that the pastor loci and lay delegates be exempt from traveling expense to meeting of Conference. A motion was passed in which each congregation was asked to pay the

traveling expense of pastor and lay delegate to Conference. It was moved to be the sense of Conference to have the Home Mission Conference Committee present a report at each meeting of Conference, as well as to the Home Mission Board. The following were elected on the Home Mission Committee: Revs. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., John Keehley, J. L. Murphy and W. S. Ulrich.

The other regular convention was held in St. John's church, Duluth, Rev. J. L. Murphy pastor, October 4 to 6, 1909. The president preached the opening sermon. In a verbal report at the first session, the president gave some facts relative to progress being made by several of our congregations in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Winnipeg, and Superior. He advised more aggressive work at all points and urged greater endeavors towards the increasing of subscriptions to The Lutheran. Eighteen pastors were present, each one reporting the condition of work being done in his respective field. It was voted to devote the sum of $15.00 to be used by the committee on University Work for the cost of printing, etc. The session Wednesday afternoon was held with Holy Trinity church, Superior. The Conference W. H. & F. M. Society met at the same times and places with Conference. The following subjects were discussed at the several sessions:

"Augsburg Confession, Article X."

"The Church."

(a.) "As a Saving Institution."

(b.) "As a Teaching Agency."

"The Cry of the City."

"Unsolved Home Mission Problems."

"The Bible."

(a.) "Its Wonderful History."

(b.) "Its Sublime Literature."

(c.) "Its Saving Grace."

"The Pastor Among the Young People of the Church."

A. F. ELMQUIST, President.
WILLIS BECK, Sec.-Treas.

On motion the report was received and referred to the Committee on Conferences.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCE

There were three regular meetings held during the year.

At the meeting held June 18th, 1909, in the Church of the Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis., the Revs. H. K. Gebhart was elected President, L. W. Steckel secretary-treasurer and Mr. F. C. Hemsing member of the Executive Committee of Synod.

At the Convention held in the Church of the Atonement, Beloit, Sept. 28-30, 1909, the Rev. Wm. Eckert preached the communion sermon. The President's report showed progress in all the parishes of conference. The summer school at Chicago, July 6-10, 1909, was held according to the plans outlined by the joint committee appointed by this conference and the two northern conferences of the Chicago Synod. The school was under the general direction of the Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D. The Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D. D. President of the General Council and Editor in Chief of the graded system of Sunday School instruction, was present and occupied the place of chief lecturer of the school. The total number of persons reached was estimated at 350.

The following subjects were included in the program:

"Infant Baptism, According to the Ministerial acts."

"Church Loyalty."

"The Colleges of the Middle West."

"The Minneapolis Convention of the General Council."

A resolution was adopted authorizing the organization of a Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Conference.

A Sunday School Convention was held in connection.

The convention held at Racine, Wis., April 11-14, 1910, was a very profitable convention. The opening sermon was preached by the President of Conference. The first day was Bible School day, the second was Missionary day, the third Conference day.

The Rev. P. L. Kunzman preached the communion sermon. In his report the president gave a brief historical sketch of the growth of English Lutheranism in the state, showing the active interest and influence of the pioneer Missionary of the state, the Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D., who celebrated the 20th anniversary of his coming to the state in the interim.

The dedication of the bell at Waterloo, Wis., the dedication of the building of the Church of the Atonement, Racine, the coming of the Rev. W. F. Rex of Mariennette, Pa., the resignation of the Rev. A. C. Peterson; the cornerstone laying and dedication of the Church of the Advent, Cedarburg; the resignation of the Rev. Paul Kunzman, were important events noted in the report.

A committee was again appointed to arrange for a Summer School for Sunday School and Mission Workers.

A committee was appointed to prepare and publish a catechism for the study of missions in the Sunday Schools.

The following subjects were discussed at the sessions of conference.

"The Baptismal Formula."

"The Condition of the Man Who Drops Church.'"

"The Parable of the Sower; How to Treat the Four Kind of Soil."

1. "Way Side."
2. "Stony Ground."
3. "Thorny Ground."
4. "Good Ground."

"The Laymen's Movement."

"Private and Family Devotions."

Respectfully submitted,

H. K. GEBHART, Pres.,
L. W. STECKEL, Sec.

On motion the report was received and referred to the Committee on Conferences.

On motion it was resolved that the committee on president's report submit congratulatory resolutions to the president on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of his ordination. At a later session the following were presented and adopted:

RESOLUTIONS ON THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION OF THE REV. A. J. REICHERT.

Whereas, on tomorrow the second Sunday after Trinity the Rev. A. J. Reichert, president of this Synod, will celebrate the Twentieth Anniversary of his ordination to the office of the Holy Ministry, therefore be it

Resolved, that this Synod congratulates the President

on his twenty years of ministerial and four years of official usefulness, and prays the continual favor of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of the church, upon him, his household, and his work.

Resolved, that this resolution be read in the presence of his congregation tomorrow.

On motion the minutes of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference and likewise that of the Central Conference were submitted to the Committee on Conferences.

The report of the committee on president's report was presented and at a later session was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Your Committee on President's Report begs leave to report as follows:

1. With reference to the opening remarks in the President's Report, touching our relation to other Synods of this territory.

Resolved, that we approve the general principle that bodies working upon the same territory should use every effort not only to avoid interference but also as for as possible to co-operate, and that the President of this Synod be authorized to take such steps as in his judgment may be necessary to secure this end.

2. With reference to the better financial support of our pastors

Resolved, that we approve the statement of the President in regard to the need of increasing salaries to meet the increased cost of living and that we commend those congregations that have taken note of this circumstance and have made substantial increase in their pastor's salary.

3. With reference to university student work, one of the most vital and pressing causes before the church at large and this Synod in particular

Resolved, that we commend this most important caus to the enlightened liberality of our churches.

4. Inasmuch as the Augustana Synod celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of its organization

Resolved, (1) that we devoutly thank God that by His Divine guidance He led so many of our Swedish brethren to

find a home in this land, bringing with them their Lutheran convictious, and that in the Providence of God they were enabled to organize the Augustana Synod, which for half a century has carried forward the work of preaching the pure gospel, gathering strength from year to year until it has become the largest body in the General Council.

Resolved, (2) that it is a matter of profound gratitude to God, that the Augustana Synod, founded upon the faith of our fathers, has ever held fast to the confessions of the church, not wavering from the soundness in the faith.

Resolved, (3) that we congratulate the Augustana Synod upon the blessings it has enjoyed, upon the wonderful development of the body, not only in the many congregations organized, but also in its numerous institutions of learning and the beneficent work of its orphanages, deaconness institutions and hospitals and other institutions of mercy, scattered throughout the country.

Resolved, (4) that we express the appreciation of the courtesy which it as a body has always extended to our English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

Resolved, (5) that we most sincerely hope and pray that God may continue to bless and prosper the Augustana Synod and that the glory of its future history may far transcend that of the past.

Your Committee recommends that in response to the invitation of the Augustana Synod the President of this Synod be designated as the official visitor to represent the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest at the Jubilee Convention of the Augustana Synod.

5. With reference to the Memorial Fund which it is proposed to raise in honor of the quadri-centennial of the Reformation.

Resolved, (1) that we recommend this movement to the cordial and earnest support of our churches.

(2) That a committee of five, of which the president of Synod be one be appointed as the Synodical Jubilee Committee with power to act.

6. We recommend that the item pertaining to the General Council Ministerial Pension Fund be made a special order on Friday.

7. We recommend that the President's recommendation touching inner mission work be adopted.

8. With reference to the Layman's Movement we recommend,

(a.) That the President appoint a committee of laymen of this Synod to form part of the general committee of laymen called for by the General Council's resolution.

(b.) That the lay delegates to this convention be granted the privilege of calling a meeting during the convention to consider the question of forming a synodical organization.

Respectfully submitted,

W. K. FRICK,
GEORGE H. TRABERT,
F. W. KLINGENSMITH,
A. A. MILLER,
WM. F. BACHER
H. W. KNAUFF.

The report of the archievarius was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The Archivist has added such documents and papers to the Archives of Synod as were received by him during the year It would be advisable for those congregations publishing parish papers or yearly reports to send copies of same to Archivist for preservation.

Respectfully submitted,

G. KELLER RUBRECHT.

On motion Synod adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Wm. S. Ulrich.

SIXTH SESSION.

Saturday, June 4th, 1910, 3:15 P. M.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. H. K. Gebhart. On motion roll call and reading the minutes was deferred to the close of the session.

The committee presented the following resolutions which were adopted by a visting vote:

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF THE REV. J. L. MURPHY.

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has removed from our midst, our esteemed brother and co-laborer, the Rev.

J. L. Murphy, a man of earnest zeal, sincere piety and a faithful minister of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, therefore,

Resolved, that in the departure of Bro. Murphy our Synod has lost a faithful member who was deeply interested in the English work of the church and especially in the work on this territory, and that St. John's English Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Duluth has been bereaved of a most devoted and beloved pastor.

Resolved, that we extend to the bereaved family our most heartfelt sympathy, that we commend them to the grace and goodness of God who will not forsake the widow and the orphan.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread on our minutes, and that the secretary send a copy of the same to Mrs. Murphy.

Resolved, that at the service tomorrow morning the President make special reference to the death of Rev. J. L. Murphy.

GEORGE H. TRABERT,
GEORGE H. SCHNUR.
H. W. KNAUFF,

REPORT OF UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE STUDENTS' COMMITTEE.

In compliance with the resolutions passed by this Synod in session at Epiphany Church, Milwaukee, June 16-21, 1909, (minutes p: 42, 1909) your committee made plans to accomplish three definite things: First they endeavored to secure two prominent Lutheran men to lecture at Wisconsin and Minnesota universities and at Fargo. In the second place they took definite steps to call the attention of the General Council to this work in such a manner as to secure favorable action at the regular meeting to be held in Minneapolis in Sept., 1909. In the third place they provided means for financing these two projects.

To accomplish the second object a bulletin called "The Lutheran Student at the State University, versus the Lutheran Church". was published and distributed. This bulletin

was a strong factor in securing prompt and hearty action by the General Council, which body appointed a committee to work in accordance with resolutions passed at the same session.

Your committee also requested the Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D. D. to visit the three student centers above mentioned. Dr. Haas at once promised to perform this service. They were about to call upon Prof. C. E. Seashore, Ph. D., Dean of the Graduate School of Iowa University to be the second lecturer when it seemed expedient to hand over the work to the committee appointed by the General Council. Funds almost sufficient, were raised to defray the expenses incurred by your committee up to the time when the work was left in the hands of the General Council Committee. The financial report follows:

1909 RECEIPTS

June 18, O. H. Adler, Red Wing	$ 1.00
Sept., N. P. Haugen, Madison	5.00
Sept., H. Erickson, Madison	5.00
Sept. 30, Eastern Conference	10.00
Oct. 5, S. T. Swanson, Madison	5.00
Oct. 9, Halle Steensland, Madison	15.00
Nov. 18, Central Conference	15.00
	51.00

1909 EXPENDITURES

Sept. ½ R. R Fare to General Council meeting at Minneapolis	$ 5.60
Sept. Stamps for Bulletins	.80
Oct. 5, Stenography	.75
Oct. 9, Stamps, etc., for student reception at Madison	2.20
Oct. 16, R. A. Owen, for assistance in student work	5.00
Oct., 28, R. A. Owen for assistance in student work	5.00
Nov. 8, Stamps	.25
Nov. 10, Census	3.11
Nov. 19, Part Payment for "Bulletin"	25.00

Nov., Balance Payment for "Bulletin"..... 7.75

$ 55.46

Balance Delivered to H. R. Gold, Chairman of Committee 4.46

A. F. ELMQUIST,
PAUL H. ROTH,
W. S. ULRICH,
H. R. GOLD,

On motion the above report was adopted, the Committee thanked and dismissed.

At this time the formal deposition of C. W. Valentine from the office of the Holy Ministry took place. The roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Frick.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Monday, June 6th, 1910, 9:30 A. M.

Matins was conducted by the Rev. J. E. Schewell. The roll of Synod was called.

Permission was granted the Rev. O. H. Lindeblad, the western representative of the Porto Rico Mission Board, to present resolutions which were adopted as follows:

Whereas, the Synod has heard and is convinced of the great and absolute need of a church and parsonage in San Juan, Porto Rico, for the maintenance and promotion of the Lutheran Porto Rico Mission, and

Whereas, the General Council at the Convention in Buffalo, N. Y. decided to raise $26,000.00 for above said purpose,

Therefore be it resolved that this Synod recommends to each of its congregations in the near future, through Sunday Schools, Luther Leagues or through other means, to do its best to raise money for that purpose that thereby the share of the $26,000.00 apportioned to the Synod may be raised.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGLISH HOME MISSIONS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA.

To the Synod of the Northwest for the Year Ending May 1, 1910.

In the territory of the Synod of the Northwest, one mission, Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, served by Rev. L. B. Deck, has become self-sustaining. The mission at Sioux Fall, S. D., has, by the advice of all concerned, been closed by the Board. The Portable Chapel, furnished by the devoted women of the First Lutheran Church of Warren, Pa., has been given to the mission at Arlington Hills, St. Paul, a mission organized by Field Missionary Zundel, who has also organized the Holy Communion congregation in Minneapolis, which now has its own commodious church building. Brother Zundel has also organized the vigorous mission at Western Avenue, which has purchased its own lot and asks a Church Extension loan to enable it to erect its own church building.

We had met, in our Lenten Itinerary, the persons interested in the new work to be undertaken at East Side, Milwaukee, and had arranged with them and Field Missionary Roth to begin the work in April, and so notified the parties, but they do not appear to be ready. We regard this as a most important opening and we are anxious to push the work as rapidly as possible.

Our opportunities on this territory are very great, but unless the Church will furnish us with the necessary means, the opportunities will be lost. Through the self-sacrifice of the Rev. Wm. Eckert, and with the assistance of the Western District Superintendent, Rev. A. C. Anda, the Second vigorous congregation, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Atonement, has been organized in Racine, Wisconsin.

We are indebted to the clerical members of the Synod of the Northwest for their devotion to the cause of Home Missions on that territory and we hope that the revised rules and regulations will open the door for co-operation in a larger scale.

The Rev. Luther B. Deck and his faithful people are not only to be congratulated on becoming self-sustaining so soon, but also for contributing so large a proportion of their income to the general work.

All the missions of the Synod show commendable progress.

Livingston, Montana. Rev. F. W. Klingensmith, pastor.

This mission has a property valued at $3000., but is burdened with a debt on which they pay 10% interest. The Board is paying $900.00 toward the support of the Missionary.

Membership May 1st, 1909, Church 38, Sunday School 49.

Membership May 1st, 1910, Church 50, Sunday School 62.

Winnepeg, Canada. Rev. P. E. Baisler, pastor.

Board pays $1,000.00 per annum.

This mission has sold its property for $7,000.00 and purchased a new lot for $10,000.00 in a prominent location, on which it proposes with the help of the community and the church at large to erect a suitable house of worship for this important center.

Membership May 1st, 1909, Church 28, Sunday School 69.

Membership May 1st, 1910, Church 41, Sunday School 77.

Cedarburg, Wis. Rev. T. F. Weishotten, pastor.

This mission has just completed one of the finest, not largest churches in the entire Synod of the Northwest, especially as to the interior. With a few minor changes it ought to become a model for all who desire to build. The Board pays $600.00 per year to the support of the Missionary.

Membership May 1st, 1909, Church 48, Sunday School 25.

Membership May 1st, 1910, Church 53, Sunday School 44.

Madison, Wis. Rev. H. R. Gold, pastor.

This mission has recently purchased an elegant lot, 92x102, at the Corner of University Avenue and Park street, for $15.000. If the Church in general will encourage the commendable enterprise of the local congregation, far reaching results for English Lutheranism through the State and the entire Northwest will be achieved. This is without doubt one of the most stragetic points in the entire United States. During the past year the Board has paid $500.00 toward the support of the Pastor.

Madison, Membership of Church May 1st, 1909, 75, Sunday School 43.

Madison, Membership of Church April 1st, 1910, 95, Sunday School 46.

Middleton, Wis., Membership of Church May 1st, 1909, 39.

Middleton, Wis., Membership of Church April 1st, 1910, 59.

Superior, Wis. Rev. W. H. Gable, pastor.

This mission has just erected its first church building during the past year. The advantage of owning its own

building is already being manifested in the increase of membership. The Board pays toward the support of the Pastor $675.00 per annum.

Membership, May 1st, 1909, Church 70, Sunday School 123.

Membership, May 1st, 1910, Church 94, Sunday School 140.

Oshkosh, Wis. Rev. C. B. Lindtwed, pastor.

This mission is making steady and substantial progress. Its indebtedness, however, is too large for the amount invested in its property. The Board pays toward the support of the Pastor at the rate of $200.00 per annum.

Membership, May 1st, 1909, Church 90, Sunday School 59,

Membership, May 1st, 1910, Church 119, Sunday School 76.

Beloit, Wis. Rev. P. H. Roth, Pastor.

This mission has only been enabled to erect the basement of its church, and whilst this is neat and comfortable, it is not an adequate equipment for the place. Both the people and the Church Extension Society regret that the completion of the building must be postponed for the present. We hope that special efforts will be put forth to secure in the near future a more adequate equipment. The Board pays $300.00 per year toward the support of the Pastor.

Membership, May 1st, 1909, Church 102, Sunday School 113.

Membership, May 1st, 1910, Church 123, Sunday School, 119.

Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis.

The Board pays $600.00 per annum.

Rev. A. J. Holl has accepted the pastorate and will succeed Rev. Paul L. Kunzman whose resignation takes effect on June 15th.

This mission is just two years and two months old. It has a property valued at $36,000.00 and besides a Church Extension loan of $5,000.00 carries the largest interest bearing debt of any of the missions.

Membership, May 1st, 1909, Church 154, Sunday School 181.

Membership, May 1st, 1910, Church 180, Sunday School 229.

Atonement, Racine, Wis. Rev. W. F. Rex, Pastor.

This mission, about one year old, has erected a very commodious brick church, trimmed with stone. The Board pays $400.00 per year toward the Pastor's salary.

Membership, May 1st, 1910, Church 150, Sunday School 181.

North St. Paul and Arlington Hills, St . Paul. Rev. R. A. Helms.

The Board pays $480.00 per year toward the Pastor's salary. North St. Paul is an old mission and its growth has not been rapid. It is now in possesison of its own church home.

Arlington Hills is a new organization and worships in the Portable Chapel already referred to.

North St. Paul Membership May 1st, 1909, Church 91, Sunday School 97.

North St. Paul Membership May 1st, 1910, Church 98, Sunday School 108.

Arlington Hills Membership May 1st, 1910, Church 21 Sunday School 84.

Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn. Rev. L. B. Deck, Pastor.

This mission at a cost of less than $1,000.00, which it has already returned in benevolent contributions, has become self-sustaining, as already stated.

Holy Communion, Seven Oaks, Minneapolis.

This mission which now owns its own church has been served without cost to the Board by Rev. L. B. Deck. The property cost $6000.00 and the building is a frame, 34x64. It numbers 24 communicants and 100 are enrolled in the Sunday school.

Redeemer, Minneapolis. Rev. J. A. Zundel in charge.

This mission was organied by Field Missionary Zundel on June 6th, 1909 and is not yet a year old. Acording to the last report the church had a membership of 67 and the Sunday School 145.

The Church Extension Society has loaned on the territory of the Northwest Synod the following amounts:

Winnepeg, Canada	$ 6000.00
Duluth, Minn.	3937.29
St. Paul, Minn., Trinity	2000.00
Minneapolis, Trinity	1200.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.	5000.00
Kenosha, Wis.	2500.00
La Crosse, Wis.	1450.00
Janesville, Wis.	3000.00
Beloit, Wis.	1500.00

Epiphany, Milwaukee	8000.00
Redeemer, Milwaukee	5905.32
Reformation, Milwaukee	5000.00
Racine, Wis., Holy Communion	1500.00
Superior, Wis.	2000.00

The Northwest Synod was apportioned for the Home Mission work on its territory and for the general work the sum of $2500. Of this amount we had received by May 1st, 1910, the sum of $1141.25.

We would report that during the past year our Board has been greatly hampered in its work because the amount apportioned by the General Council to the various Synods has been very irregularly paid, and in no case has the apportionment been paid in full. This has imposed great hardships upon the Missionaries and added greater burdens to the Board, hence we ask your consideration of the following resolutions passed by the Board in April of this year:

"Whereas, the General Council at its last meeting resolved that the following sums be apportioned for each year of the present biennium for the support of our work, and that the Synods be urged to see to its collection and payment, and in those cases where the Synods have not made the apportionment required that they be asked to do so for the current year through their Executive Committees.

Northwest Synod	$ 2500.00
Ministerium of Penna	32500.00
District Synod of Ohio	7000.00
New York and New England	7250.00
Chicago Synod	3000.00
Nova Scotia	1250.00
Pacific Synod	600.00
New York Ministerium	1000.00
Pittsburg Synod	5600.00
Total	$60700.00

Be it resolved that in the report of the Board to the various Synods that we request each Synod to apportion to the congregations the amount asked by the General Council for English Home Missions, and that it be requested that one-twelfth of the amount apportioned be paid to the Treasurer of our Board monthly, and if the funds be not on hand, the Synod be requested to borrow the same.

Our Board also requests that the Synods adopt the name of "Synodical Board of Home Missions" in place of Mission Committee or any other name.

In order to increase the efficiency of the work and facilitate its business, the Board at its April meeting adopted new plans and rules designed to relieve the General Superintendent of a vast amount of details and leave him free to devote more time to educational and inspirational work and the development of the larger mission interests.

While all the details of administration have not been settled, the plans adopted include:

1. The duties of Secretary, including the receipt and acknowledgment of funds, have been assigned to a member of the Board to fill that office.

2. District Superintendents are to be elected and upon them is to be placed the responsibility for the work of the Board in their respective districts, though under the direction of the General Superintendent. District Superintendents shall always be in close touch with the Synodical and Conferential authorities.

3. Relieved of the work incident to the above, the General Superintendent is to have charge of all work undertaken or controlled by the Board, devise ways and means whereby its work may be made more efficient, resources increased and operations enlarged, and under the Board direct the work of the District Superintendents in all the mission fields.

4. An office has been opened in Room 368 Drexel Building, Philadelphia, where all communications and moneys should be addressed. Checks should be made payable to E. Aug. Miller, Treas.

This brief statement is made for the information of the Church and with the Editorial in The Lutheran of April 14th, 1910, "Unification under its new Rules," will serve that purpose until all the details of administration are decided upon.

The Revised Rules and Regulations will show that the sole anxiety of the Board is the best interests of the missions on the territory of each Synod and of the regions beyond. We hope so to distribute its functions and powers as to bring all parts of the General Council into harmonious co-operation

in doing the great work of Home Missions on this Continent.

At the regular meeting of the Board held in April 1909, a committee was appointed to confer with the Lutheran bodies doing mission work in the Northwest in the English language, in order to secure harmony of action.

At the meeting of the General Council in Minneapolis, representatives of our Board, Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D., Rev. A. D. Crile and Rev. A. J. Reichert, met with the representatives from the Mission Board of the Augustana, Rev. L. G. Abrahamson, D. D., Rev. M. C. Ranseen, D. D., and members of the United Norwegian Board, Rev. Prof. C. M. Weswig, Rev. O. Glascoe, and Rev. Th. Eggen.

This Committee agreed upon a plan which was to be reported to the various mission Boards.

At the meeting of our Board in November 1909, the report of this Committee was acted upon and the following resolutions adopted.

1. **The Field.** North America may be rightfully claimed by all parties to this agreement as their proper field of work.

2. **Certain Principles.** It is the privilege and duty of the United Norwegian Lutheran Church to care for its own people in either the Norwegian or the English language.

It is the privilege and duty of the Augustana Synod to care for its own people in either Swedish or the English language.

It is the duty of the English Home Mission Board of the General Council to do cosmopolitan mission work, i. e., in fields occupied by different nationalities.

3. Where there may be a conflict in applying these principles, the instance shall be referred to an arbitration committee consisting of one person appointed by each Board.

4. Notice shall be given to all the Boards of the entrance into a new field.

5. These regulations shall become effective only at their adoption by the various Boards, or the general body to which they may belong.

The following resolution was also added by our Board:

"In order that the work of taking care of our people may be accomplished and not hindered, we ask that the Swedish and Norwegian brethern agree to the further proviso, namely: That if any party to this agreement shall find a field claimed by the other and so assigned by the

Committee on Arbitration, not occupied within a period of six months, the other party shall then be permitted to occupy the field without hindrance."

On January 31, 1910, we received the following letter from Rev. L. A. Johnston, Vice President of the Augustana Synod:

"I beg leave to inform you that the Board of Missions of the Augustana Synod has resolved, "that we adopt the plan for English Home Mission work as amended tentatively until the plan has been acted upon by the Synod."

The Board of Missions of the Augustana Synod has amended Rule 5 so that it reads thus: "These regulations shall become effective when adopted by the various Boards of the General Body to which they belong."

In a letter from Rev. M. Saeterlie, Secretary of the English Home Mission Board of the United Norwegian Church in which it was stated that after careful consideration of the resolutions proposed and the amendments made by our Board: "The English Home Mission Board of the United Norwegian Church of America finds that it cannot agree to said Rules and Resolutions."

Their Board then passed the following Resolutions:

"I. The English Board of Home Missions of The United Norwegian Lutheran Church of America agrees to notify the English Home Mission Board of the General Council and the English Home Mission Board of The Augustana Synod when it occupies a new field.

"II. The Board agrees to consider a protest when sent within 60 days.

"III. In case of protest the Board agrees to refer the matter to a committee of arbitration, consisting of one member appointed by each Board.

"The Board is willing to agree to these resolutions up to our next annual meeting to be held June 8-15."

These letters were presented to our Board at its meeting April 1910, and with reference to the communication of the United Norwegian Board the following action was taken.

"Resolved that we agree to the proposition presented by the Committee of the United Norwegian Board."

Praying the blessing of Almighty God upon the deli-

berations of this Convention, and upon our Church throughcut the world, we are your brethern in Christ.

The Board of English Home Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, Per

A. J. REICHERT,
Synod's Representative.

On motion the above report was adopted with the following alteration:

That in response to the request of the Board, the Treasurer of Synod be directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Board the amount apportioned for Home Missions in twelve equal monthly payments and if funds be not on hand to borrow the amount required in order to make such payment.

Amended to read:

That the Treasurer of Synod be directed to pay at least $150 each month to the Board of Home Missions; that in case there are not sufficient funds in hand the Treasurer be authorized to borrow the amount necessary to make such payment,

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Rev. L. F.Gruber.

EIGHTH SESSION.

Monday, June 6th, 1910, 1:30 P. M.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. L. W. Steckel.

On motion Synod's representative on the Board of Home Missions was requested to urge that the appropriation for the mission at Beloit be increased from $300 to $600 per annum.

The report of the Executive Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Committee would respectfully report as follows:

1. Resolved that the Stacy congregation be requested to return to Synod one-half of loan ($150) by January 1st, 1911 and the remainder ($150) by January 1st, 1912.

2. Whereas, upon investigation we find that the con-

gregation at Fargo, N. D. has complied with the conditions upon which a Church Extension loan of $4000 was promised, and,

Whereas, that loan has not been paid, be it resolved, that the Secretary of Synod correspond with the Church Extension Society and urge payment.

Respectfully submiitted,

A. J. REICHERT,
A. F. ELMQUIST,
H. K. GEBHART,
W. P. CHRISTY.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL AND PRINTED MINUTES.

We, your Committee would respectfully report that we have compared the printed minutes and Portocol and after having the secretary correct certain minor errors, we would report the following differences:

1. In printed minutes page 15, second line under apportionments, should read "apportionments" instead of "apointments."

2. In printed minutes page 49 and protocol page 286, the line "Loses by Death" is omitted.

3. In the statistical tables in both the printed minutes and the protocol we found a number of errors in the footings which we canot correct owing to the fact that the original reports are not at hand.

4. It is the sense of your Committee that it should be the first duty of this Committee to verify the protocol with the secretary's journal as approved by Synod and original reports and documents.

C. B. LINDTWED,
L. W. STECKEL,
P. E. BAISLER,
H. R. GOLD,
FRED TESTER,
AUG. JACKE.

On motion the above report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES

Your committee has examined the protocol of the two Conferences and the respective reports of the same and find

them in proper form and correct, with no special recommendations requiring the action of Synod.

We have also noted the report of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference and recommend that the same be printed with the minutes of the Synod; and that Synod hereby express its gratification that the women of the Eastern Conference have organized during the year for the better carrying on of their work in the interests of the kingdom.

The report of the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Society of the Central Conference not having been received, we would recommend that this report, when received, and approved by the Executive Committee be printed with the minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KEEHLEY,
L. F. GRUBER,
JAS. F. BEATES,
R. A. HELMS,
HARRY ISAACSON,
OTTO RYDELL,
J. H. LANGSDORF.

On motion the above report was adopted.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved that the names of the church of the Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D., and that of St. John's Inwood, Manitoba be dropped from the roll of Synod.

The committee on excuses made its report, the same is tabulated with the Roll of Synod on pages 4-5.

On motion it was resolved to have 2000 copies of the minutes of Synod printed.

On motion the secretray was instructed to distribute the same pro rata throughout Synod.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE CIRCULATION OF CHURCH PAPERS.

We your committee on circulation of church papers, appointed by Synod, beg leave to submit the following report. A letter was sent to each pastor of Synod asking for their co-operation in this work. Six pastors replying, two suggested persons to canvass their congregation, and four stated that

nothing more could be done at present to increase subscriptions.

L. W. STECKEL,
Secretary Eastern Conference.
WILLIS BECK,
Secretary Central Conference.

The above was adopted and the committee dismissed.

On motion of Dr. Trabert the Inner Mission Committee was ordered discontinued inasmuch as Synod has no inner mission work.

The committee on the revision of the model constitution for congregations reported "progress" and on motion the committee was continued.

On motion it was resolved to continue the historical committee.

Invitations for the next meeting of Synod were extended by Grace Church, Kenosha and by St. Marks, Fargo, Upon ballot the invitation to meet at Fargo was accepted.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved that the boundaries of the Eastern Conference be those of the state of Wisconsin, excepting that Superior be attached to the Central Conference.

On motion the following resolutions were adopted .

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolved, that the sincere and hearty thanks of Synod are hereby extended to the congregation and pastor of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Cannon Falls for the generous and cordial hospitality accorded us during this twentieth annual convention of Synod.

Resolved, that these resolutions be read at the first regular service held after the adjournment of Synod.

On motion the press committee's report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF PRESS COMMITTEE

Your committee reports that they have arranged for reports to the Pioneer Press of St. Paul, the local papers of Cannon Falls and the Lutheran.

GEORGE H. SCHNUR,
L. FRANKLIN GRUBER,
P. E. BAISLER.

The following conference mission committees were named by their respective conferences. * (See minutes 1908, page 54.)

EASTERN CONFERENCE.	CENTRAL CONFERENCE
REV. H. K. GEBHART	REV. A. F. ELMQUIST, PH. D.
REV. W. K. FRICK, D. D.	REV. G. H. TRABERT, D. D.
REV. W. P. CHRISTY	REV. WILLIS BECK
	REV. W. S. ULRICH

The president appointed the standing committees. The minutes of this session were read and approved, and at 4:15 p. m. the Synod adjourned with signing "A Mighty Fortress is Our Lord" and the "Order for the Closing of Synods."

"To the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and power, before all time, and now, and forevermore, Amen."

WILLIAM PASSAVANT CHRISTY,
Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE MINISTERIUM.

FIRST MEETING.

Thursday, June 2nd, 1910, 1:30 P. M.

The Ministerium was called to order by the president and opened with prayer.

The report of the Examining Committee was read by the chairman, the Rev. G. H. Trabert, D. D., which was received, considered seriatim and adopted as a whole as follows:

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

To the Ministerium of the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest:

We, the Examining Committee of Synod beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday, June 1, 1910, appeared before us, the following named brethren, who apply for admission to Synod:

1. The Rev. John Sander, L. H. D., now pastor of the Holy Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn., who has a regular letter of dismissal from the Augustana Synod.

2. The Rev. Willoughby F. Rex, now pastor of the church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., with a regular letter of dismissal from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

Satisfactory colloquiums were held with these brethren and your committee recommends that both of them be received into Synod.

3. Mr. Jehile E. Schewell, pastor elect of St. John's Duluth, Minn., who applies for ordination by this Synod. The applicant is a graduate of La Fayette College, and of the Philadelphia Theological Seminary. Your committee held an extended colloquium with this brother, and we recommend that Synod accept him for ordination.

GEORGE H. TRABERT,
W. K. FRICK,
H. K. GEBHART,
A. F. ELMQUIST,
WM. F. BACHER,
Committee.

On motion the Ministerium adjourned with prayer by the president.

SECOND MEETING.

Thursday, June 2nd, 1910, 4:45 P. M.

The Ministerium was called to order by the president and opened with prayer.

The Investigating Committee presented its report which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE.

The committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to investigate the charges preferred against the Rev. C. W. Valentine by the Church Council of Trinity Church, Lindstrom, Minnesota, met in the study of Dr. G. H. Trabert, 610 West 28th St., Minneapolis, on the afternoon of April 25th, 1910. All the members of the committee were present, together with the Rev. A. J. Reichert, president of Synod.

President Reichert informed the committee that he had sent the following notification to the Rev. C. W. Valentine on March 31, 1910, one letter addressed to New York and another to his former address, Lindstrom, Minn., to appear before the committee at the above named date and place, but that both letters had been returned to him.

Red Wing, Minn., Mar. 31, 1910.

The Rev. C. W. Valentine, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The following charges, dated Center City, Sept. 1, 1908, are preferred against you by the Church Council, Holy Trinity Church, Lindstrom, Minn. You are hereby cited to answer these charges before the committee appointed by the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest, in the study of Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minn., Monday, April 25, 1910, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

First. Gross neglect of duty, in frequently absenting yourself from the congregation, your whereabouts unknown, and thus neglecting the sick and dying, being seemingly indifferent to the souls committed to your charge.

Second. Intemperance and drunkenness. Instead of standing up against the saloon evil, and the violation of the law, you condoned such violations by yourself visiting saloons on Sunday and drinking immoderately therein.

Third. The misuse of money of the congregation. You have spent money for your own purposes, entrusted to you for specific purposes in the congregation. In all these offenses you have brought reproach upon the church at large, and seriously injured this congregation in particular.

V. L. JOHNSON, Chairman,
I. H. KAYE, Sec.

Sincerely your,

A. J. REICHERT,
President English Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

The Rev. C. W. Valentine failing to appear before the Committee, the charges preferred against him were read and considered in the light of facts learned by the Rev. G. H. Trabert, D. D., and the Rev. L. F. Gruber, two members of the committee at a meeting of the Church Council of Trinity Church, Lindstrom, Minn.

Upon due consideration the following was upon motion, unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the committee finds that the charges preferred against the Rev. C. W. Valentine by the Church Council of Trinity English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lindstrom, Minnesota, were brought in accordance with all the requirements of the constitution, and

Whereas, upon investigation by the committee these charges appear to be sustained by the evidence of the fact in the case, and

Whereas, the Rev. C. W Valentine failed to appear upon being duly notified in accordance with the requirements of the constitution to prove his innocence of these charges, which is itself considered a prima facie evidence of guilt, therefore

Resolved, that the committee hereby expresses its conviction that the above mentioned Rev. C. W. Valentine is guilty of the charges preferred against him, and do so declare.

GEORGE H. TRABERT,
WM. F. BACHER,
JAS. F. BEATES,
L. F. GRUBER,
Committee.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved, that this Ministerium report to Synod that it has investigated the charges made against the Rev. C. W. Valentine and finds that they are well founded, and that the proper legal steps have been taken, and therefore with a grieved heart recommends to Synod his deposition from the office of the Holy Ministry.

On motion the Ministerium adjourned with prayer by Dr. Trabert.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

Wednesday, June 1st.

7:30 p. m.—Confessional Service.

8:00 p. m.—Synodical Sermon by the president. Holy Communion.

Thursday, June 2nd.

3:30 p. m.—Paper; "The Lutheran Synodical Bodies and Their Relation to One another."—Rev. C. B. Lindtwed.

8:00 p. m.—Foreign Mission Service.

Address, Rev. O. H. Lindeblad.

Adress, Rev. L. W. Steckel.

Friday, June 3rd.

3:30 p. m.—Paper, "Training the Church of the Future." Rev. F. E. Jensen.

8:00 p. m.—Fortieth Anniversary Service of the Ordination of the Rev. George Henry Trabert, D. D.

Address—"The Occasion," Rev. J. F. Baetes.

Address—"The Joy of the Christian Ministry," Rev. L. F. Gruber.

Address—"A Personal Tribute," Rev. Wm. K. Frick, D. D.

Congratulatory Remarks—Rev. H. K. Gebhart, Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph, D. and Rev. John A. Zundel.

Address—Rev. George H. Schnur.

Address—Rev. George H. Trabert, D, D.

Saturday, June 4th.

8:00 p. m.—Home Mission Service.

Address—Rev. P. E. Baisler.

Address—Rev. H. R. Gold.

Sunday, June 5th.

10:30 a. m.—Ordination Service. Sermon by Rev. W. F. Bacher.

8:00 p. m.—Christian Education Service.

Address—Rev. A. C. Peterson.

Address—Rev. Paul H. Roth.

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Revs. L. F. Gruber, L. B. Deck, W. S. Ulrich.

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Revs. G. Keller Rubrecht, Willis Beck, A. C. Peterson.

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Rev. K. Keller Rubrecht.

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Revision of Church Constitution.

Revs. L. F. Gruber, Wm. Eckert, H. K. Gebhart, J. A. Zundel.

Jubilee Committee.

Revs. A. J. Reichert, A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., Messrs. Charles Trabert, George Eckstrand and William Peiper.

Committee on Offer of Hon. C. A. Smith.

Revs. Wm. Eckert and John Keehley.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

ITEMIZED TRAVELING EXPENSE REPORT.

	CONGREGATIONS	Clergy	Lay	Total Traveling Expense	Amount Apportioned	Amount Due Synod	Amount Due Congregation
	MINNESOTA—						
1	St. John's, Minneapolis	$ 1.96	$ 1.96	$ 3.92	$ 22.88	$ 18.96	$ .....
2	Memorial, St. Paul	1.54	1.54	3.08	20.54	17.46	.....
3	Trinity, St. Paul	1.54	1.54	3.08	13.74	10.66	.....
4	St. Paul's, Red Wing	.82	.82	1.64	18.97	17.33	.....
5	Salem, Minneapolis	1.96	1.96	3.92	23.94	20.02	.....
6	St. John's, Duluth	7.56	3.28	10.84	10.25	.....	.59
7	St. Mark's N. St. Paul	1.74	.....	1.74	5.55	3.81	.....
8	St. James', St. Paul	1.54	1.54	3.08	14.37	11.29	.....
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	English, Cannon Falls	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	3.08	3.08	6.16	8.83	2.67	.....
13	St. John's, Stacy	.....	.....	.....	2.40	2.40	.....
14	St. Mark's, Minneapolis	1.96	1.96	3.92	15.44	11.52	.....
15	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	1.96	.....	1.96	9.65	7.69	.....
16	Salem, Albert Lea	.....	3.00	3.00	6.62	3.62	.....
17	Holy Comm. Minneapolis	.....	.....	.....	1.71	1.71	.....
18	Redeemer, Minneapolis	1.96	1.96	3.92	4.50	.58	.....
19	Arlington Hill, St. Paul	.....	.....	.....	1.60	1.60	.....
	WISCONSIN—						
20	Redeemer, Milwaukee	12.32	.....	12.32	27.20	14.88	.....
21	Holy Communion, Racine	13.37	.....	13.37	28.66	15.59	.....
22	Holy Trinity, La Crosse	.....	.....	.....	8.20	8.20	.....
23	Grace, Kenosha	14.06	.....	14.06	15.77	1.71	.....
24	First English, Platteville	11.80	.....	11.80	12.46	.66	.....
25	St. Peter's, Janesville	11.30	11.30	22.60	10.62	.....	11.99
26	Advent, Cedarburg	.....	.....	.....	3.20	3.20	.....
27	Epiphany, Milwaukee	.....	.....	.....	19.80	19.80	.....
28	Atonement, Beloit	11.76	11.76	23.52	5.54	.....	17.52
29	Holy Trinity, Superior	7.34	7.34	14.68	4.24	.....	10.44
30	Holy Trinity, Madison	9.78	9.78	19.54	4.70	.....	14.86
31	St. Paul's Waterloo	.....	10.60	10.60	2.94	.....	7.66
32	St. John's, Oshkosh	12.04	.....	12.04	6.72	.....	5.32
33	Reformation, Milwaukee	.....	12.32	12.32	11.86	.....	.46
34	1st English, Middleton	.....	.....	.....	3.65	3.65	.....
35	Holy Trinity, Afton	.....	.....	.....	1.45	1.45	.....
36	Atonement, Racine	13.62	.....	13.62	8.99	.....	4.63
	OTHER STATES—						
37	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.	11.34	11.34	22.68	14.09	.....	8.59
38	Redeemer, Livingston, Mon	51.40	51.40	102.80	2.76	.....	100.04
	CANADA—						
39	1st English, Winnipeg Man	20.50	.....	20.50	2.14	.....	18.36
	TOTALS	$228.25	$148.48	$376.71	$375.88	$200.46	$200.46

Respectfully Submitted,

A. F. ELMQUIST,
F. E. JENSEN,
L. B. DECK,
W. H. GABLE,
W. S. ULRICH,
JAMES NELSON.
C. J. SERSEN.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE.

	NAMES OF CONGREGATIONS	Members in Good Standing	SYNODICAL		GENERAL COUNCIL							TOTAL
			Synodical Expense	Traveling Expense	Chicago Seminary	Minister'l Education	Home Missions	Church Extension	Foreign Missions	Porto Rico Missions	Slav Missions	
	MINNESOTA—											
1	St. John's, Minneapolis	360	$ 22.00	$ 29.00	$ 87.00	$ 7.00	$ 145.00	$ 50.00	$ 72.00	$ 48.00	$ 7.00	$ 467.00
2	Memorial, St. Paul	323	18.00	24.00	79.00	6.00	130.00	46.00	66.00	43.00	6.00	418.00
3	Holy Trinity, St. Paul	215	13.00	16.00	53.00	4.00	87.00	30.00	44.00	28.00	4.00	279.00
4	St. Paul's, Red Wing	298	18.00	23.00	73.00	6.00	120.00	42.00	60.00	40.00	6.00	388.00
5	Salem, Minneapolis	377	23.00	29.00	91.00	8.00	152.00	53.00	76.00	50.00	8.00	490.00
6	St. John's, Duluth	170	10.00	14.00	42.00	3.00	69.00	24.00	35.00	24.00	3.00	224.00
7	St. Mark's, North St. Paul	85	5.00	7.00	21.00	2.00	34.00	12.00	18.00	12.00	2.00	113.00
8	St. James, St. Paul	225	14.00	17.00	55.00	5.00	91.00	32.00	45.00	31.00	5.00	295.00
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	85	5.00	7.00	21.00	2.00	34.00	12.00	18.00	11.00	2.00	112.00
10	First English, Cannon Falls	60	4.00	.....	15.00	1.00	25.00	7.00	12.00	9.00	1.00	74.00
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	50	3.00	4.00	13.00	1.00	21.00	7.00	10.00	7.00	1.00	67.00
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	137	8.00	11.00	34.00	3.00	56.00	19.00	27.00	18.00	3.00	179.00
13	St. John's, Stacy	35	2.00	3.00	9.00	1.00	14.00	5.00	8.00	5.00	1.00	48.00
14	St. Mark's, Minneapolis	242	16.00	19.00	39.00	4.00	98.00	34.00	48.00	32.00	4.00	294.00
15	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	150	9.00	12.00	37.00	3.00	61.00	22.00	30.00	21.00	3.00	198.00
16	Salem, Albert Lea	102	6.00	7.00	25.00	2.00	42.00	14.00	20.00	13.00	2.00	131.00
17	Holy Communion, Minneapolis	24	1.00	2.00	7.00	1.00	10.00	3.00	6.00	4.00	1.00	35.00
18	Redeemer, Minneapolis	71	4.00	6.00	16.00	2.00	28.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	2.00	93.00
19	Arlington Hills Mis., St. Paul	21	1.00	2.23	5.00	1.00	8.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	29.23
	WISCONSIN—											
20	Redeemer, Milwaukee	430	26.00	34.00	105.00	8.00	173.00	60.00	86.00	57.00	8.00	557.00
21	Holy Communion, Racine	447	27.00	36.00	108.00	9.00	180.00	63.00	89.00	59.00	9.00	580.00
22	Holy Trinity, La Crosse	130	8.00	10.00	33.00	3.00	53.00	18.00	26.00	18.00	3.00	172.00
23	Grace, Kenosha	251	15.00	19.00	61.00	5.00	100.00	35.00	51.00	34.00	5.00	325.00
24	First, Platteville	196	12.00	15.00	49.00	4.00	79.00	27.00	39.00	26.00	4.00	255.00
25	St. Peter's Janesville	176	11.00	14.00	43.00	3.00	71.00	25.00	35.00	23.00	4.00	229.00
26	Advent, Cedarburg	53	3.00	4.00	13.00	1.00	21.00	7.00	12.00	7.00	1.00	69.00
27	Epiphany, Milwaukee	317	19.00	24.00	76.00	5.00	128.00	45.00	63.00	41.00	5.00	406.00
28	Atonement, Beloit	96	6.00	7.00	25.00	2.00	39.00	13.00	19.00	12.00	2.00	125.00
29	Holy Trinity, Superior	75	4.00	5.00	19.00	1.00	31.00	11.00	16.00	11.00	1.00	99.00

30 Holy Trinity, Madison.....	82	5.00	7.00	22.00	2.00	33.00	12.00	17.00	11.00	2.00	111.00
31 St. Paul's, Waterloo.....	55	3.00	4.00	13.00	1.00	22.00	8.00	12.00	7.00	1.00	71.00
32 St. John's, Oshkosh.....	114	7.00	9.00	28.00	2.00	46.00	16.00	24.00	15.00	2.00	149.00
33 Reformation, Milwaukee	200	12.00	15.00	49.00	3.00	80.00	28.00	41.00	28.00	3.00	259.00
34 First English, Middleton....	55	3.00	4.00	13.00	1.00	23.00	8.00	12.00	7.00	1.00	72.00
35 Holy Trinity, Afton.....20		1.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	8.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	29.00
36 Atonement, Racine	150	9.00	11.00	37.00	3.00	60.00	21.00	31.00	22.00	3.00	197.00
OTHER STATES—											
37 St. Mark's Fargo, N. Dak.....	231	14.00	18.00	56.00	5.00	92.00	32.00	27.00	31.00	5.00	280.00
38 Redeemer, Livingston, Mont..	50	3.00	4.00	13.00	1.00	20.00	7.00	11.00	7.00	1.00	67.00
CANADA—											
39 First English, Winnipeg, Man.	42	2.00	3.00	10.00	2.00	16.00	6.00	9.00	6.00	2.00	56.00
TOTALS 6200		$372.00	$477.23	$1500.00	$124.00	$2500.00	$870.00	$1240.00	$834.00	$125.00	$8042.23

PAROCIAL STATISTICS.

Index No.	CONGREGATIONS Names and Locations	PASTORS Names and addresses	Organized	Catechumens	Students for the Ministry	MEMBERS Number Communed	MEMBERS In Good Standing	MEMBERS Confirmed	MEMBERS Baptized	ACCESSION Infant Baptisms	ACCESSION Adult Baptism	ACCESSION Confirmation	ACCESSION From Luthern Congregations	ACCESSION Renewal of Faith	ACCESSION Restoration	LOSSES Death	LOSSES Transfer	LOSSES Otherwise	NET Gain	NET Loss
	MINNESOTA—																			
1	St. John's, Chicago Ave., Minneapolis	A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., 1517 Portland Ave.	1883	35	1	285	360	405	658	31	2	25	8	23		4	20	40		6
2	Memorial, Sixth St., St. Paul	Wm. F. Bacher, 1660 Ashland Ave.	1883	35		289	323	369	570	16		22	15			1	2	2	32	
3	Holy Trinity, Robie St., St. Paul	James F. Beates, 220 East Robie St.	1886	46		220	215	300	554	32	3	30	6	15	3	1	7		49	
4	St. Paul's, West Ave., Red Wing	A. J. Reichert, 807 Third St.	1886	22		265	298	313	490	12		18	2	5	3	3	20	2	3	
5	Salem, 28th St. S. Minneapolis	G. H. Trabert, D. D., 610 West 28th St.	1890	43		324	377	449	690	29	4	39	13	15		7	2	35	27	
6	St. John's, 3rd, St., Duluth	Vacant.	1890	23		125	170	313	437	4		23					1		22	
7	St. Mark's, North St. Paul	Robert A. Helms	1890	8		63	85	110	210	11		8				1	1		6	
8	St. James, Marshall Ave., St. Paul	George H. Schnur, 730 Marshall Ave.	1895	35		220	225	267	440	5	1	23	3	11		1	6	3	28	
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	Willis Beck, Zumbrota	1897	15		70	85	102	150	10		8	1			1	1		7	
10	First English, Cannon Falls	Willis Beck, Zumbrota	1900	9		50	60	77	140	7		5	2			2	5	3		3
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	Willis Beck, Zumbrota	1905	9		55	50	79	120	7	2	9	1			1	2		9	
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	John Sauder, L. H. D.	1901	17		86	137	186	250		2	17	3				6		16	
13	St. John's, Stacy	John Sauder, L. H. D.	1904	13		31	35	85	100	2	1	13	2						16	
14	St. Mark's, Lyndale Ave., Minneapolis	L. F. Gruber, 2910 Lyndale Ave. N.	1902	57		220	242	316	666	22	1	49	9	24	10	1	2	9	81	
15	Holy Trinity, 29th Ave., Minneapolis	Luther B. Deck, 2844 29th Ave., S.	1905	26	1	140	150	165	475	22	2	25	6	19			2	10	40	
16	Salem, Albert Lea	John Keebley, 309 West Clark St.	1907	15		83	102	102	162	10		11	3	7			3	11	7	
17	Holy Communion, Seven Oaks, Minneapolis	Luther B. Deck, 2844 29th Ave., S.	1909			18	24	24	114	11	1		1	22				25		1
18	Redeemer, Western Ave., Minneapolis	John A. Zundel, 24 Cedar Lake Road	1909	9		70	71	71	252	10	4	10	7	19			2		38	
19	Arlington Hills Mission, St. Paul	R. A. Helms, North St. Paul	1910	6		18	21	21	86	1		6	3	12					21	

	WISCONSIN—																								
20	Redeemer, 16th and Grand, Milwaukee	W. K. Frick, D. D., 2305 Cedar St.	1890	38	1	330	430	516	700	11		25	13	2	2	2	4	12	24						
21	Holy Communion, 10th and Wash., Racine ...	William Eckert, 1034 Washington Ave.	1898	61		420	447	521	821	37	1	38		11		2	15	70		37					
22	Holy Trinity, West and Ferry, La Crosse.....	..... Vacant.	1898			*108	*130	*168	*324																
23	Grace, Prairie, Kenosha.	H. K. Gebhart, 359 Ridge St.	1901	38		172	251	251	459	19	1	39	5	3		1	2	11	34						
24	First, Platteville	L. W. Steckel.....	1902	11	1	165	196	269	450	15		10	2	1	28	3	4	13	21						
25	St. Peter's, Janesville...	W. P. Christy, 1315 Pleasant St.	1903	34		158	176	219	408	16		24	1	22		2		21	24						
26	Advent, Cedarburg	T. F. Welskotten.....	1904	8		55	53	58	93	2		8		1					9						
27	Epiphany, 2nd and Clark, Milwaukee	G. Keller Rubrecht, 999 Island Ave.	1905	58	4	245	317	341	771	23	3	55		29	1	4	10	9	65						
28	Atonement, Beloit	Paul H. Roth, 848 Park Ave	1905	15	5	81	96	123	323	7	2	5		17		3			21						
29	Holy Trinity, Superior..	Wm. H. Gable, 1722 Ogden Ave.	1905	22		72	75	103	266	17	3	20	1	17				8	33						
30	Holy Trinity, Madison..	Howard R. Gold, 404 N. Henry St.	1906	9	2	88	82	98	160	3	2	7	1	13				4	19						
31	St. Paul's Waterloo.....	Vacant.	1906	8		49	55	63	96	2		8		5		1			12						
32	St. John's, Oshkosh.....	C. B. Lindtwed, 170 Wisconsin Ave.	1907	4		88	114	122	208	8	4	4	11	6			1	2	22						
33	Reformation, 35th and Elm, Milwaukee	Paul L. Kunzmann, 731 40th St.	1908	25	2	158	200	210	453	16	1	24	3	24		1	1	25	25						
34	First English, Middleton	H. R. Gold, 404 North Henry St., Madison.....	1908	16		68	55	55	70	6		16	1	3				3	17						
35	Holy Trinity, Afton.....	W. P. Christy.....	1908	5		20	20	22	29	2	1	4		3					8						
36	Atonemen, Wright and Quincy, Racine	..... W. F. Rex, 2717 Wright Ave.	1909	24		76	150	170		3	2	10	8	22		2			40						
	OTHER STATES—																								
37	St. Mark's, 4th and 8th, Fargo. N. D.....	William S. Ulrich, 714 4th Ave. N.	1887	38		225	231	277	474	22	1	26		6	1	1	2		31						
38	Redeemer Livingston, Montana	..... F. W. Klingensmith.....	1906	10		35	50	50	78	1		10		2					12						
	CANADA—																								
39	First English, Winnipeg, Manitoba	P. E. Baisler, 573 Maryland St.	1905	15		45	42	50	133	9		12	2	14		1	6		21						
		Totals for 1910.....		862	17	5300	6200	7440	12880	461	44	686	133	373	48	46	127	318	793						
		Totals for 1909.....		810	12	4700	5800	6647	11242	446	60	579	209	499	35	48	144	294	896						
		Increase		52	5	600	400	793	1638	15		107			13			24							
	* Estimated	Decrease									16		76	126		2	17		103						

PAROCHIAL REPORT—Finances.

Index	Value of Property	CONGREGATIONAL: Current Expenses	CONGREGATIONAL: Extraordin'y Expenses	CONGREGATIONAL: Total for Local Objects	BENEVOLENCE: Synodical: Synodical Expense	BENEVOLENCE: Synodical: Traveling Expense	BENEVOLENCE: Synodical: Ministerial Relief Fund	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Chicago Seminary	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Ministerial Education	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Home Missions	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Church Extension	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Foreign Missions	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Porto Rico Mission	BENEVOLENCE: General Council: Slav Missions	BENEVOLENCE: Other Benevolence	BENEVOLENCE: Total Benevolence	Grand Total	Average per Member
Minnesota—																		
1	$20000	$2469 79	$ 201 69	$2671 48	$18 00	$32 94	$22 00	$ 90 00	$7 00	$200 00	$80 72	$52 00	$31 00	$7 00	$220 00	$760 66	$3432 14	$ 9 26
2	25000	2262 27	1342 63	3604 90	17 00	17 72	.....	2 00	.....	126 24	58 80	50 40	10 00	.....	16 50	298 66	3903 56	12 08
3	5000	1429 00	.....	1429 00	13 00	23 92	23 46	46 50	4 00	41 10	2786	38 14	13 49	4 00	.....	235 47	1664 47	7 74
4	4500	1414 00	.....	1414 00	15 00	5 23	14 14	172 05	.....	71 58	29 71	33 95	20 43	5 00	.....	367 09	1781 09	5 98
5	46000	2351 82	348 25	2700 07	20 00	36 97	28 50	85 42	8 00	162 00	63 00	80 60	35 00	42 12	135 00	698 54	3398 61	9 01
6	10000	2153 58	210 96	2364 54	9 00	31 20	.....	115 00	2 00	91 89	26 00	42 88	16 00	3 00	19 60	356 57	2721 11	16 01
7	1000	603 54	69 00	672 54	.....	7 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 19	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 14	687 68	8 09
8	5000	1753 52	.....	1753 52	10 00	19 35	23 54	57 38	4 00	140 25	106 00	31 00	34 98	4 00	25 50	456 00	2209 52	9 80
9	2500	380 00	50 00	410 00	4 00	5 26	9 85	.....	.....	10 00	5 50	5 00	1 68	1 50	.....	42 79	452 79	5 34
10	3000	290 00	720 00	1010 00	3 00	4 03	11 25	.....	.....	7 50	3 80	2 75	1 00	1 00	.....	34 33	1044 33	17 45
11	450	300 00	475 00	775 00	3 00	4 44	10 00	.....	.....	4 60	3 00	2 49	1 00	1 00	.....	29 53	804 53	16 09
12	9000	1319 35	.....	1319 35	7 00	.....	.....	46 59	.....	12 37	20 78	10 44	12 00	.....	.....	109 18	1428 53	10 43
13	1500	200 72	.....	200 72	.....	.....	.....	6 53	.....	6 45	3 60	6 60	4 00	.....	10 00	37 18	237 90	6 80
14	8000	1831 65	1496 43	3328 08	9 00	18 45	18 25	19 00	4 00	62 36	28 29	40 90	17 00	4 00	52 00	273 30	3601 38	14 88
15	4000	1502 96	201 50	1704 46	6 00	10 95	8 94	31 25	2 00	63 77	46 90	93 00	35 25	2 00	100 17	400 23	2104 69	14 03
16	5000	1501 94	1200 00	2701 94	5 00	9 00	14 00	13 60	.....	33 13	38 40	14 30	8 00	2 00	.....	137 43	2839 37	27 84
17	5200	20 00	161 68	181 68	1 00	2 25	.....	7 00	1 00	11 00	3 00	3 00	4 10	1 00	20 75	54 10	235 78	9 82
18	1000	346 72	578 84	925 56	3 00	3 65	9 25	.....	1 00	42 72	44 61	20 69	22 95	1 00	9 65	158 52	1084 08	15 27
19	.....	100 00	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 85	3 03	.....	.....	.....	7 88	107 88	5 14
Wisconsin—																		
20	15000	2777 66	1116 38	3894 04	21 00	17 23	28 64	227 00	.....	112 50	5 00	120 00	11 00	10 00	49 54	601 91	4495 95	10 46
21	15000	1741 07	1838 33	3579 40	24 00	45 24	15 53	17 00	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	390 00	521 77	4101 17	9 13
22	13000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	3 45	6 00	20	65	15	95	.....	11 90	11 90	.....
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	CONGREGATIONS	SUNDAY SCHOOLS Enrollment	Av. Attend.	Contributions Local Objects	Benevolence	WOMAN'S SOCIETIES Enrollment	Av. Attend.	Contributions Local Objects	Benevolence	LUTHER LEAGUES † Enrollment	Av. Attend.	Contributions Local Objects	Benevolence
	MINNESOTA—												
1	St. John's, Minneapolis	205	135	$ 175.44	$ 110.20	85	38	$ 649.44	$ 135.00	107	52	$ 74.90	$ 48.00
2	Memorial, St. Paul	210	123	210.72	134.44	90	66	455.93	44.97	98	43	43.28	.....
3	Trinity, St. Paul	263	126	233.20	50.35	46	15	233.86	21.50	51	20	87.52	10.00
4	St. Paul's Red Wing	195	135	87.00	40.00	68	40	700.00	48.00	50	32	125.00	15.00
5	Salem, Minneapolis	215	179	174.06	142.25	48	25	199.00	57.00	30	15	.....	30.00
6	St. John's Duluth	150	90	195.53	.....	40	15	444.76	41.77	22	15	133.33	.....
7	St. Mark's, North St. Paul	80	63	64.19	.....	25	18	98.31	.....	34	20	112.46	.....
8	St. James, St. Paul	230	158	214.80	80.12	95	60	237.41	26.23	50	30	81.79	.....
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	50	25	15.00	.....	30	25	75.00	.....	35	30	50.00	.....
10	English, Cannon Falls	70	45	20.00	.....	30	35	220.00	.....	25	30	75.00	.....
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	75	50	25.00	.....	23	20	75.00	.....	..	..	.....	.....
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	132	100	65.00	.....	31	30	565.00	.....	..	..	.....	.....
13	St. John's, Stacy	62	39	30.00	10.00	36	18	6.00	.....	20	12	17.00	.....
14	St. Mark's, Minneapolis	401	213	297.16	60.28	33	15	205.57	97.00	60	40	103.65	30.00
15	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	357	186	179.46	173.86	43	25	108.69	124.60	70	50	167.83	14.84
16	Salem, Albert Lea	102	68	95.33	95.53	30	25	253.92	6.50	20	12	118.25	.....
17	Holy Communion, Minneapolis	122	60	27.78	18.10	18	12	59.15	34.73	..	..	.....	.....
18	Redeemer, Minneapolis	164	76	127.73	80.11	32	21	59.10	44.98	25	22	.....	.....
19	Arlington Hills, St. Paul	80	48	25.00	4.86	7	7	25.00	.....	..	..	.....	.....
	WISCONSIN—												
20	Redeemer, Milwaukee	218	115	264.42	151.28	72	38	84.23	55.00	47	37	20.10	.....
21	Holy Communion, Racine	500	314	410.00	315.00	116	68	355.00	75.00	203	130	22.50	.....
22	Holy Trinity, La Crosse	*227	*121	*158.26	*51.85	*36	*20	*400.01	*11.11	*51	*34	*150.53	*59.16
23	Grace, Kenosha	312	189	309.48	44.88	55	38	171.30	17.76	70	49	13.16	.....
24	First English, Platteville	113	70	65.00	39.49	69	40	321.92	28.20	33	15	70.15	.....
25	St. Peter's Janesville	130	87	123.72	40.00	24	10	36.75	30.00	31	20	22.20	.....
26	Advent, Cedarburg	44	34	86.00	19.84	22	16	540.00	5.00	18	15	25.00	.....
27	Epiphany, Milwaukee	502	280	584.13	30.79	42	24	83.50	....	72	45	35.00	.....
28	Atonement, Beloit	119	58	57.37	.....	31	25	71.49	....	17	10	6.50	.....
29	Holy Trinity, Superior	140	65	90.50	19.00	26	14	248.57	2.00	32	25	109.50	.....
30	Holy Trinity, Madison	46	25	23.50	.....	22	15	227.15	....	34	18	20.95	.....

31	St. Paul's Waterloo	54	39	18.00	.....	13	17	70.00	....	11	9	10.00	.....
32	St. John's Oshkosh	76	35	55.37	.....	22	11	126.70	8.20	18	10	73.55	5.00
33	Reformation, Milwaukee	229	129	271.41	73.14	82	60	437.58	10.00	112	70	575.66	.....
34	First English, Middleton	...	...	.....	.....	12	20	86.92	.....	23	15	4.17	.....
35	Holy Trinity, Afton	...	...	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....
36	Atonement, Racine	190	150	220.00	28.04	43	35	212.00	.....	..	..	.....	.....
	OTHER STATES—												
37	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.	257	180	182.92	112.64	39	41	442.66	77.10	35	20	48.17	13.00
38	Redeemer, Livingston, Montana	53	35	85.42	37.20	19	12	236.63	.....	22	15	.....	.....
	CANADA—												
39	First English, Winnipeg, Man.	77	35	32.10	11.75	15	11	26.95	8.35	14	10	42.85	.....
	Totals for 1910	6450	3880	$5300.00	$1975.00	1570	1025	$ 8850.50	$ 1010.00	1540	970	$ 2440.00	$ 225.00
	Totals for 1909	6200	3750	$4660.00	$1627.51	1344	900	$ 7407.98	$ 754.98	1224	820	$ 1660.86	$ 180.49
	Increase	250	130	$ 640.00	$ 347.49	226	125	$ 1442.52	$ 255.02	316	150	$ 779.14	$ 44.51
	Decrease	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....

* Estimated on basis of last year's figures.

† Including Men's organizations.

MINUTES OF THE

Fourth Annual Convention

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Conference.

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The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Conference held its Fourth Annual Convention in St. John's Church, Duluth, Minn., Rev. J. L. Murphy, pastor, Oct. 5-6, 1909.

The first session opened Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock in connection with the devotional services of Conference, after which the Missionary Society withdrew to the basement of the church for its meeting. Mrs. J. L. Murphy then greeted the society with a short well-worded address of welcome, which was responded to by the president.

The roll of churches with their delegates was as follows:

City	Church	Year Entered Society	Delegates
Minneapolis	St.Mark's	1905	Mrs. L. F. Gruber
Minneapolis	Salem	1905	Mrs. Otto Peterson Mrs. G. H. Trabert
St. Paul	Memorial	1905 (Two Societies)	Mrs. W. F. Bacher Mrs. M. Liesch
Duluth	St. John's	1906	Mrs. J. L. Murphy Mrs. Allen Mrs. J. A. Lenning Mrs. A. A. Maas Mrs. F. Bayha
Lindstrom	Trinity	1906	Mrs. J. A. Nelson
Minneapolis	Holy Trinity	1906	Mrs. E. C. Cole Mrs. Ida Mosher Mrs. L. B. Deck
Minneapolis	St. John's	1906	Mrs. A. C. Schwend Mrs. W. P. Peterson Mrs. A. F. Elmquist
Red Wing	St. Paul's	1906	Mrs. R. F. Johnson Mrs. S. W. Swanson
St. Paul	St. James'	1906	Mrs. Pieper Mrs. Rhode Mrs. Monson Mrs. Schnur Mrs. Helle
St. Paul	Trinity	1906	Mrs. J. F. Beates
Stacy	St. John's	1906	No delegate
Winnepeg	First English	1906	No delegate
Albert Lea	Salem	1907	Mrs. C. L. Swensen Mrs. A. U. Mayland
Cannon Falls	English	1907	Mrs. W. Beck
Goodhue	St. Luke's	1907	Mrs. W. Beck
Zumbrota	Redeemer	1907	Mrs. W. Beck
Fargo, N. D.	St. Mark's	1907	Mrs. A. Tweeden Mrs. A. Pabst Mrs. F. C. Sunde
La Crosse Wis.	Holy Trinity	1908	No delegate
North St. Paul	St. Mark's	1908	No delegate

Superior, Wis.	Holy Trinity	1909

Mrs. Emil Nelson
Mrs. O. Rydell
Mrs. McIntosh
Mrs. C. Hopp

The Society of Holy Trinity Church, Superior, Wis., having applied for membership, was upon motion received and its delegates added to the roll.

The president then read her report, in which she gave a very comprehensive survey of the general condition of the society, its various interests and operations, and its outlook for the future. She reported that the pledge of $75 toward the support of the Field Missionary was paid and that the Ladies' Aid Society of the Lutheran Church in Warren, Pa., has given a portable chapel costing $1500 for our Home Mission Work in St. Paul, and that it is now being used at Arlington Hills. She reported Missions having been started at four different points in the twin cities during the year, thus showing that the work of Home Mission lies close to the hearts of our people.

Of our Porto Rico Field she pointed out the great importance of more hearty support on account of the pressing need, as reported by Rev. Hemsath, the representative of the board.

She called attention to the fact that the much needed hospital in India is now to be erected and that the most hearty support of our people should be given to this work.

During the time of the meeting of the General Council an informal Inter-synodical Conference of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies was held in St. James Church, St. Paul, to discuss plans looking forward to a national organization. The president urged a proper consideration of this matter by our society at its proper time. She commended the "Mission Worker" to the ladies of the society as brimful of missionary information and inspiration.

She urged the importance of not only paying the $2 membership dues for the current expenses but also the necessity of contributing liberally to every other cause endorsed by the society.

The various recomendations for the support of our Foreign Mission Work and Home Mission Work, which was

most heartily endorsed by the society, point to still larger and better things in our work for the future.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Expense Fund

RECEIPTS.

Balance from former Treasurer, Oct. 29, 1908	$ 54.27
Dues from Societies	30.00
Dues from Individuals	.50
Total	$84.77

EXPENDITURES.

Officers' Expenses for 1907-1908, postage, etc.	$ 4.89
Printing Order Books	3.75
Treasurer's Cash Book	.70
Letterheads and Envelopes	4.75
Programs for Fourth Annual Convention	4.75
Total Expenses	18.84
Balance cash on hand, Sept. 30, 1909	65.93
	$84.77

Missionary Fund

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Oct, 29, 1908	$ 41.24
From Offerings at La Crosse Convention, 1908	4.44
Albert Lea	7.64
Duluth	32.57
La Crosse	10.00
Lindstrom	19.93
Minneapolis, Holy Trinity	25.00
Minneapolis, Salem	17.00
Minneapolis, St. Mark's	15.00
Red Wing	63.75
St. Paul, Memorial	10.00
St. Paul, St. James'	23.98
St. Paul, Trinity	8.50
St. Paul, Y. M. L. S. of Memorial	12.09
Total	$291.14

APPROPRIATIONS TO HOME MISSIONS

General Fund	$ 16.29
Field Missionary's Salary, 1908 pledge	25.00
Field Missionary's Salary, 1909 pledge	75.00
	$116.29
To Porto Rico Mission	34.32

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

General Fund	68.32
Medical Work, India	7.00
Girls School, India	6.00
	81.32
Minneapolis Hospice for Women	15.00
Total forwarded to Treasurer of Synod	246.93
Balance on Hand, Sept. 30, 1909	44.21
	$291.14

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. L. G. HELLE.

The Executive Committee in its report made the following recomendations, which were adopted by the society.

I. That we take the $44.21, the balance in the treasury, and increase it to $50 from the offerings taken at the convention and secure a Life Membership in the Church Extension Society.

II. That all societies desiring credit on their apportionment should send all money direct to the treasurer of this society and request credit and she in turn will send it to the treasurer of Synod.

SECOND SESSION.

The second session was held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, opening with devotional services with conference.

The program for the afternoon was as follows:

Symposium—"Our Foreign Work."

India ..... Mrs. W. H. Gable
Japan ..... Mrs. W. L. Bacher
Porto Rico ..... Mrs. R. F. Johnson

At the close of the regular program Rev. Murphy spoke about individual pledges for missions, which was followed by a number of responses.

The following societies pledged toward Medical Missions:

St. Mark's, Minneapolis	$ 5.00
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	15.00
Memorial, St. Paul	10.00
St. James' St. Paul	5.00
Trinity, St. Paul	5.00
St. Paul's, Red Wing	10.00
St. John's Duluth	5.00
Trinity, Lindstrom	5.00
Holy Trinity, Superior	5.00
St. Mark's, Fargo	15.00
	$80.00

THIRD SESSION.

The third session was held Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock and was devoted to the transaction of business. The reports of the auditing committee, the committee on president's report, and the committee on resolutions were duly considered and adopted.

The committee on resolutions recommennded the usual vote of thanks to the society at St. John's Church for its generous hospitality and that the traveling expenses of the president and secretary of the society be paid out of the general fund of the treasury.

The society appropriated $50 for a window in the First English Lutheran Church at Winnepeg, Canada.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Pres., Mrs. G. H. Schnur.
Vice Pres., Mrs. R. F. Johnson.
Rec. Sec'y, Mrs. L. F. Gruber.
Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. A. J. Reichert.
Treas., Mrs. L. G. Helle.

FOURTH SESSION.

The fourth session was held on Wednesday afternoon, in Superior, Wis.

The following program was rendered:
Symposium—"Our Home Work."

Of the General Council .....Mrs. W. M. Beck
Of Our Own Conference.....Mrs. G. H. Trabert
What Other Societies are Doing.....Mrs. J. F. Beates

FIFTH SESSION.

At the fifth and closing session, which was held on Wednesday evening, a Stereopticon Lecture was given by the Rev. A. J. Reichert on "Our Indian Mission."

Thus closed the Fourth Annual Convention, which proved to be a most successful convention in every way.

MRS. L. F. GRUBER,
Rec. Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE

First Annual Convention

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference.

A Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was organized in connection with the Eastern Conference of the Synod of the Northwest, held in the church of the Holy Communion, Racine, Wis., April 11th-14th.

The officers are:
Pres., Mrs. H. K. Gebhart, Kenosha.
V. Pres., Mrs. A. F. Sperling, Milwaukee.
Rec. Sec., Mrs. Wm. Eckert, Racine.
Cor. Sec., Mrs. H. Schambow, Plattville.
Treas., Mrs. J. F. Wittenburg, Cedarburg.

Fifteen societies were represented, three of which were distinctive missionary societies.

During the morning session the following papers were read:

1st. "Necessity of Women's Societies."—Mrs. J. H. Kassa, Milwaukee.

2nd. Object of Women's Societies."—Mrs. H. Schambow, Platteville.

3rd. "History of Organized Efforts."—

1. Beyond the Lutheran Church."—Mrs. A. F. Sperling, Milwaukee.

2. "Within the Lutheran Church."—Mrs. Green, Kenosha.

After the organization was effected, the following committees were appointed.

To draft Constitutions and By-Laws.
Mrs. J. H. Kassa, Milwaukee.
Mrs. Alexius Hanson, Racine.
Mrs. Emil Fox, Waterloo.

Literature Committee:
Mrs. Maitland, Milwaukee.
Mrs. Louis Peterson, Racine.

India Box Committee:
Miss Emma Harms, Platteville.
Miss Elizabeth Bogk, Milwaukee.

At the afternoon session these papers were presented:

1. "History and Value of Mission Study Classes."—Rev. Paul H. Roth, Beloit.

2. "History and Value of Student Volunteer Movement."—Rev. A. C. Petersen.

3. 'Methods of Conducting a Mission Society."—Rev. G. H. Rubrecht, Milwaukee.

4. "Demonstration, Woman's Missionary Society."—Holy Communion, Racine.

Topic for discussion during the supper hour was:

"The Gospel vs. Charity," led by Rev. W. P. Christy, Janesville.

Vespers Address—"Woman's Work in the Church"—Rev. W. F. Rex, Racine.

MRS. WM. ECKERT, Rec. Sec.

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